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BBC latest outlet to focus on city's gang problem

OLYMPICS As the 2010 Olympics approach, Vancouver is getting some more negative attention from another high-profile media outlet for our gangs and drugs problem.

This time, it's the British Broadcasting Corporation, which calls Vancouver's gang problem the "dark side to paradise."

The Economist magazine, the L.A. Times, and London's Independent newspaper have all recently written about the ongoing gang war in the Vancouver area.

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Hockey Canada Cup **Olympic test event**

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Fans cheer Team Canada against the United States during second-period action at the Hockey Canada Cup at GM Place on Thursday. The Canadian women lost 4-2 to the Americans and face Sweden next in Saturday's semifinal. **Coverage, page 15.**

New West police nab Aussie in child-luring

Man in Queensland thought officer was 14-year-old girl online

A man in Australia who thought he was persuading a New Westminster teen girl to visit him for sex has been arrested.

The resident of rural Queensland was in fact talking with a New West police male detective.

The 44-year-old man was arrested Wednesday by Australian federal police.

Detective Mike MacFarlane, who investigates offences against children, cruises the web in the guise of a 14-year-old girl.

He was in a Vancouver chat room last February when the man started a conversation.

"He did the usual talking and decided to expose himself on his web cam and tried to commission this young girl to do some sexual things to herself," MacFarlane said.

He notified Australian police almost immediately because the man has three children, including an 11-year-old girl.

By summer their cyber relationship had become almost constant and increasingly pathetic.

"He sent pictures of himself and pictures of one of his daughters and pictures of his cows," MacFarlane said.

"He'd tell me that he loved me and that he missed me and that he wants me to come there."

The man, who has not been identified, also said he planned to visit Canada in January.

MacFarlane dodged the man's request for sexually explicit material via webcam by saying the girl's parents wouldn't let her have one.

The man also said he'd seen his daughter naked coming out of the shower, though he had never touched her.

"This is how kind of weird it is: The last time he talked to me, his daughter comes home and her face is almost right in the camera," he said.

MacFarlane said he believes the man's wife and children knew nothing about his activities.

That changed when Australian federal police showed up at his door.

"They say he's going to plead guilty."

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Glamour 'spread' sign of the times

FASHION In the photo that has made plus-size model Lizzie Miller momentarily famous, her smile is radiant, her hair elegantly pinned back. But the eyes drift to her midriff, where resides a deposit of fatty tissue that is undeniably foreign to a fashion magazine.

The photo is on page 194 of the September issue of Glamour magazine.

"The reaction to that one picture — that one little, three inch by three inch picture — has been incredible," Miller said on Thursday from her Manhattan apartment.

The 20-year-old from San Jose — a size 12 or 14 who stands five-foot-11 and weighs between 175 and 180 pounds — said this month is scheduled to be the busiest of her seven-year career.

Cindi Leive, editor of Glamour, said it's a sign of the times that women are looking for "a little bit more authenticity."

"Will (Miller's photo) change our approach (as a fashion magazine)? I think it will," Leive said.

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GLAMOUR MAGAZINE

Lizzie Miller in the September issue of Glamour.

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B.C. education infrastructure youngest: StatsCan

British Columbia had the youngest education infrastructure in Canada in 2008, with an average age of 17.3 years or 44 per cent of useful life. It was followed by Alberta and Ontario. According to Statistics Canada, the average age of Canada's schools last year was 20.1 years old. **METRO VANCOUVER**

Local

Greyhound looks at service cuts

Greyhound Canada is considering cutting bus service to some smaller communities in British Columbia after it announced it's ending several routes in Manitoba and Northern Ontario next month. Canada's largest intercity bus line said its financial situation is dire. METRO VANCOUVER

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WILDFIRES Despite cooler temperatures and shorter days, B.C. had 250 new wildfires last week. The province has seen more than 2,900 wildfires since April 1.

PROSECUTOR Top Vancouver criminal lawyer Richard Peck has been hired to prosecute Ontario's former attorney general. Michael Bryant was arrested after a bike courier was killed when he held on to a car.

TORCH RELAY RBC, one of the sponsors of the Olympic torch relay, has hired Phil Fontaine, former chief of the Assembly of First Nations, as an adviser. Some First Nations are expected to protest the cross-Canada relay.

HOMES Residential property sales in Greater Vancouver increased 119.5 per cent in August to 3,441, compared to 1,568 in August 2008.

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Video NDP Leader Jack Layton tells Stephen Harper to 'reach out' to other parties to avoid an election at metronews.ca/canada

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A boarding party from HMCS Winnipeg inspects a pirate skiff in the Gulf of Aden off the coast of Somalia in May.

Patrolling for pirates

Commander compares Somali pirates to street gang during talk at Vancouver's Fraser Institute

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Somali pirates are more like street thugs than displaced fisherman, says the former commander of a Canadian warship that spent two months in the Gulf of Aden protecting merchant vessels this spring.

"I'm only giving you a personal opinion here," said Cmdr. Craig Baines during a talk at the Fraser Institute in Vancouver Thursday. "But the 40 pirates I dealt with, (it) was more like dealing with a street gang at sea."

Baines, the former commander of the HMCS Winnipeg, spent about six weeks in the waters north of Somalia in April and May as part of a NATO anti-piracy mission.

"The situation in Somalia is not good. There are a lot of people who are having difficulty and the youth are attracted to the large amount of money."

Pirates, about seven to a boat, use skiffs to catch the slower-moving and undefended merchant ships — 20,000 of which travel the gulf annually — and board them with ladders or grappling ropes.

They then use assault rifles and grenades to seize the boats, holding the crew for ransom.

When confronted, guns and ladders are thrown overboard, making the pirates almost indistinguishable from fishermen.

Baines compared the pirates, who stand to make about $20,000 each from a successful hijacking, to "drug dealers on the street corner" working for organized crime groups in Somalia.

Canadian, girlfriend killed in botched theft in Philippines

MANILA A Vancouver family was expected to arrive at the Philippines on Thursday, where their son, a popular writer, lecturer and film critic, and his Slovenian girlfriend were killed during what police called a botched robbery.

Filipino-Canadian Alexis Tioseco, 29, and his girlfriend, Nika Bohinc, 30, were killed Tuesday night by three gunmen who broke into their home.

Police said a newly hired maid allegedly led the gunmen into the suburban Manila home, and Tioseco and Bohinc walked in on the robbery and apparently startled the intruders.

"No one has been arrested as of this moment. We are still tracking the suspects," said Benjamin Elenzano, chief of the homicide investigation unit in Manila.

He said the victims were shot several times and killed instantly.

Legacy

- Alexis Tioseco was the founder and editor-in-chief of Criticine.com, an online journal of Southeast Asian cinema.

Dominic Tioseco, who resides in Richmond, said his cousin Alexis appears to have been the victim of his own success in a city where violent crime, including robberies and kidnappings, are common.

Alexis Tioseco

Nika Bohinc

"The version that I get from inside, from my relatives, is that the new maid that they had is part of a gang," Dominic Tioseco said.

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Teen fabricated sex assault: Police

CRIME The 16-year-old girl who told police a man tried to sexually assault her while camping at Cultus Lake near Chilliwack made up the assault, police said on Thursday.

According to the RCMP Serious Crime Unit, the girl could face charges of public mischief.

"(There) was an elaborate fabrication on the part of a 16-year-old female to conceal from her parents a consensual encounter that had occurred between the female and another male the same day," Const. Lea-Anne Dunlop said.

She added that a large amount of police resources and time was spent on the investigation.

"Anyone who feels they are in a situation where they may feel compelled to lie should truly consider ... the fear that could be caused in the community."

The girl returns to court Nov. 27. METRO VANCOUVER

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B.C. split on paid leaves for 2010: Poll

While most Canadians — 59 per cent — support the B.C. government's decision to allow government workers to take a paid leave to help out with the Winter Olympics, only 32 per cent of British Columbians said they agreed with the idea, according to a monster.ca poll by Harris/Decima. METRO VANCOUVER

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Local in Maxim contest's top 10

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MAGAZINE Suzanne Teresa says her brother still playfully punches her on the arm and tells her she's ugly. But he might be the only one.

The 28-year-old Nanaimo photographer has found herself short-listed — via fan voting from 1,000 semi-finalists — as one of the top 10 finalists in Maxim Magazine's annual Hometown Hotties competition.

"It's been crazy fun," said Teresa, who recently returned from Las Vegas where she spent six days modelling in various shoots for the magazine and its sponsors.

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Suzanne Teresa is a finalist in a Maxim magazine competition.

In the first shoot she wore "really nice red shoes and a bow — and that's it … but it's Maxim, they'll make you look great. I'm not too worried."

She said the publicity since her husband, Alec, also a photographer, entered her into the contest has been good for business. She gets as many as 100 new Facebook friend requests a day.

Teresa said she began modelling in Nanaimo as a teen and jokes that at the time her dream was to be in a Pantene Pro-V hair commercial.

Final round

- The final round of voting at Maxim.com begins Sept. 21 and will likely run four to five weeks.
- The winner gets a photo spread in January's Maxim and the title of Hometown Hottie.

News in brief

EVACUATION Vancouver Community College's downtown campus was evacuated Thursday following the discovery of a suspicious package.

TRANSIT Regional Transportation Commissioner Martin Crilly gave non-binding support Thursday for fare increases of 3 to 3.5 per cent in 2010.

ASSAULTS Vancouver police are asking for the public's help to identify a man who they believe is responsible for three recent sexual assaults. The man is about five-foot-eight with dark skin and curly black hair.

BANK ROBBERIES A 27-year-old Vancouver man has been charged with robbing three banks this week. Sarbjit Singh Gill was arrested Wednesday.

FILM FESTIVAL The Vancouver International Film Festival has announced its lineup for Dragons and Tigers: The Cinemas of East Asia. The program will showcase 35 features, four mid-length films and 22 shorts.

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City home to Q Hall of Fame

Edifice to honour LGBT Canadians

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Vancouver will be home to the first Canadian Queer Hall of Fame next month.

Julia Mackay, one of the organizers of Q Hall of Fame, said it'll be housed at Qmunity, a resource centre for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered people at Bute and Davie streets.

"A lot of questions are starting to be asked about where the community came from. Last year (the movie) Milk came out and (afterwards) there was a huge outpouring of where do our roots begin in Canada?" Mackay said.

"This was our solution, to not only honour Canadians who made significant contributions, but also to provide a history that we can pass on to future generations."

A charity fundraiser, Q Ball, will be held on Sept. 19, at the Westin Bayshore Resort and Marina in Vancouver to raise funds for the hall of fame and to officially announce the inaugural five inductees.

First inductees

- Pierre Elliot Trudeau: Key figure in the decriminalization of homosexuality who said, "There's no place for the state in the bedrooms of the nation."
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Reward offered for information on muskox killing in Yukon

The Yukon Fish and Game Association is offering a $1,000 reward for information leading to a conviction in the illegal shooting of a muskox. A driver on the Dempster Highway came across the bull, which had been shot in the shoulder and left on the roadside. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

Danny hits at Hydro-Quebec

Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Danny Williams, left, has some harsh words for Hydro-Quebec, accusing it of working against the national interest. Now is the time, he says, to look at a possible national energy grid that could freely cross the country.

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News in brief

BERNIER The misplaced documents that got Maxime Bernier booted from cabinet last year contained a treasure trove of sensitive information, according to a newspaper report Thursday. Details of the documents were revealed in a report by Montreal's Le Devoir newspaper titled: A mine of crucial information for the enemy. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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The Steve and Jack show?

Layton leads Harper in dance around looming election

Stephen Harper and Jack Layton took the first steps Thursday in a political tango that could decide if the country is headed for a fall election.

The prime minister and the NDP leader both said they want Parliament to work. But each looked to the other to take the lead.

Layton said it's up to Harper to "reach out" to the opposition if he wants to save his minority government and avoid an election. And he said Harper can't behave as if he has a majority.

"The ball is entirely in Stephen Harper's court," Layton said in Halifax.

The NDP has prided itself on consistently voting against the government and has mocked the Liberals for propping it up.

But New Democrats have been sounding a more conciliatory tone since Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff declared that he will try to bring down the government after Parliament resumes Sept. 14.

With the Liberals on the warpath, the Tories will need the support of the NDP or Bloc Quebecois to survive.

Layton said his preference is to avoid an election, which he said Canadians don't want. But he didn't sound particularly optimistic that Harper will rise to the challenge.

"I guess that remains to be seen. So far we've been disappointed at that sense that there's an unwillingness to reach out and work with opposition parties.

"If that changes, then he will be making a decision that opens the possibility that we might not have an election."

Layton, who met with the prime minister last month, said Harper knows the proposals the NDP has put before the House of Commons and it's time for him to "show some leadership" and make Parliament work.

Specifically, he wants Harper to show willingness to move on NDP motions to extend EI benefits, protect pensions, and regulate credit card rates.

Layton said the NDP is ready to fight an election if Harper doesn't compromise.

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NDP Leader Jack Layton and his wife Olivia Chow arrive for a news conference in Halifax Thursday.

MacKay fined for conflict of interest

POLITICS Canada's ethics commissioner fined Defence Minister Peter MacKay $200 on Thursday for failing to disclose his involvement as a director and officer of two companies owned by his father.

MacKay resigned from his positions with Beaver Lumber Co. Ltd. and Lorne Resources Co. Ltd., earlier this week after the office of the ethics commissioner contacted him about his involvement in those companies.

"I'm sorry about this oversight."
Peter MacKay

In a letter sent Thursday to MacKay, ethics commissioner Mary Dawson levied a $200 penalty for what she said was a "serious contravention" of the Conflict of Interest Act.

The act forbids cabinet ministers from serving as a director or officer in a corporation.

In an interview, MacKay said the mistake was inadvertent.

"We don't have directors meetings. There's no formal role that I ever played, and so I simply forgot essentially that my name was still showing on the roll," MacKay said. "I'm sorry about this oversight. It's really something that I take responsibility for."

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Arctic warmest in 2,000 years: Study

CLIMATE A groundbreaking study that traces Arctic temperatures further back than ever before has shown the region is now warmer than at any time in the last 2,000 years.

The international study, published Thursday in the journal Science, also provides real-world evidence to back mathematical climate models that suggest greenhouse gases are behind global warming.

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Grizzly bear activity closes part of Alberta park

A portion of a southern Alberta park has been temporarily closed due to grizzly bear activity. Conservation officers say they have seen grizzlies feeding on berries at Police Outpost Provincial Park along the Alberta-Montana boundary, and expect the bears to stay in the area until they hibernate. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Record-setting astronaut writes home on Day 100

Canada's longest-travelling astronaut sent home the closest thing to an anniversary card from outer space Thursday.

As he celebrated his Canadian record-setting 100th day aboard the International Space Station, Bob Thirsk sent an eight-page note describing his extraterrestrial life.

He said he's travelled 70 million kilometres, watched 16 sunrises and sunsets in a single day, and sipped coffee from a bag through a straw.

The B.C. native wrote he still can't believe how fortunate he is on a blog set up by the Canadian Space Agency.

The ever-smiling astronaut is looking a lot skinnier these days because of the effects of weightlessness.

However, the so-called "chicken-leg syndrome" hasn't dampened the enthusiasm of Canada's space voyager, who is now more than half-way through his six-month visit.

Even though he's been working out on fitness machines, Thirsk said many of his bones and muscles "have been on vacation for three months."

"In weightlessness, there is a headward shift of body fluids that results in a slight rounding of my face and thinning of my legs," he reported.

On the positive side, the shift has smoothed out the wrinkles around the space veteran's eyes and forehead.

Through it all, Thirsk has remained in regular contact with his family of three — thanks to weekly video conference calls beamed down to their living room in Houston.

He arrived at the space outpost May 29 on a Russian Soyuz vessel and isn't due to set foot back on Earth until Nov. 23. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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La Presse threatens to stop publishing Dec. 1

MEDIA It could be a dark 125th anniversary for North America's biggest French-language broadsheet newspaper.

Montreal's La Presse paper, which is considered among the best in Canada for its in-depth and frequent coverage of international and national issues, is threatening to cease operations on Dec. 1.

Staff were informed Thursday that management and the union have three months to reach an agreement on cutting costs.

Otherwise, the paper warned, La Presse's print edition and its online version would both be shut down.

Publisher Guy Crevier told employees in an email that La Presse is facing huge challenges from its high-cost structure and collapsing advertising revenues.

"Under its current business model, it has no chance for survival," Crevier wrote in the email..

Crevier said La Presse also plans to open the books for the union in hope of reaching a resolution.

The company is asking staff for several concessions, including a move to a five-day work week (35 hours) from its existing four-day week (32 hours), all while taking a six-per-cent pay cut.

La Presse also wants to eliminate 100 jobs.

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News in brief

RULES OF THE ROAD Police in London, Ont., are encouraging drivers to lie. The force is telling drivers rushing to work that instead of speeding or driving aggressively, they should just lie to their boss. They suggest motorists should obey the rules of the road and keep a spare flat tire in the trunk as an instant excuse for being late. Sgt. Tom O'Brien says the advice is "tongue-in-cheek."

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NEW IMMIGRANTS AND SCOTIABANK CUSTOMERS

Take Sushma and Baskar Rao. The software engineer and her chartered accountant husband landed in Canada on January 16 this year, and the very next day they applied for SIN cards and credit cards. Having activated their Canadian banking account while still in Bangalore (India), they were also able to transfer their funds to Canada with great ease – something that was not possible before Scotiabank launched the *Scotiabank StartRight*™ program for newcomers to Canada.

Baskar was one of the first applicants in India to take advantage of the *Scotiabank StartRight* Program. "We had an account with Scotiabank in Canada within a week of applying in India, and within two or three weeks, we had remitted funds to Canada," he says.

"The credit goes to my brother," says Baskar, 34. "He told me to check out the *Scotiabank StartRight* Program for newcomers that Scotiabank offers through its branches and in partnership with HDFC Bank in India."

Rania Llewellyn, Vice-President, Multicultural Banking at Scotiabank, says Canada receives approximately 250,000 new immigrants a year. She adds "While a very significant proportion of these are from South Asia, China and the Philippines, the *Scotiabank StartRight* Program addresses the needs of all new immigrants, wherever they come from."

Establishing credit history in Canada is vital

Having worked in the US with KPMG for a year, Baskar says he knew it was important to get his credit history meter ticking as soon as possible. "With the *Scotiabank StartRight* Program, I was able do so on day one."

Sushma has also taken advantage of the small safety deposit box[1] offered free for a year as part of the *Scotiabank StartRight* Program. "Our focus group discussions show new immigrants place a high value on safety deposit boxes and getting a credit card," says Pankaj Mehra, Director, India and South Asian Markets. Many immigrants with their inherent faith in precious metals would be happy to learn that Scotiabank is Canada's gold bank.

"Through our subsidiary - ScotiaMocatta, we are one of the largest distributors of precious metals in the world - we cater to the very substantial gold and jewellery markets in India," says Mehra. "In the Canadian context, what this means is that Scotiabank clients can invest in gold by getting coins and gold bars, and invest in other precious metals at our branches across Canada"

Getting settled – one step at a time

Baskar landed a job as an internal auditor, a month into the job hunt. "I'd been prepared to take whatever came my way as it is not good to sit idle, so it feels great to land a job in my field." With the financial pressure off, Sushma was better able to concentrate on her own job hunt. She had met consultants, applied for positions, and eventually landed a job with Research in Motion.

When their immigration papers came through, Baskar says his father and brother advised him to move to Canada with his wife rather than coming alone first, finding a job and then getting her to join him. "Enjoy both the hardships and the happiness together", they said.

Things which can be overwhelming for a new immigrant were handled with such ease thanks to the friendly and helpful people at Scotiabank. Honestly, I don't see us facing any hardships," says Baskar. "Scotiabank helped us skip a few steps by starting us off on the right note while we were still in India – I call it the Dummies' Guide to Banking! The *Scotiabank StartRight* Program opened the doors for us to our new life."

Feeling at home in Canada

The Raos enjoyed their first Canadian winter this year. "Shovelling was fun – I was an apprentice to my brother!" laughs Baskar who was living together with his brother then. Sushma thinks Spring is beautiful and is looking forward to enjoying the beauty of each season as it unfolds – though we feel this summer hasn't been anything to talk about.

"We love Canada," says Sushma. "Bangalore is multicultural in the local sense, Canada is multicultural in the international context. We fit right in. We feel at home!"

Hiring people from within the community

Making new immigrants feel at home are *Scotia*® advisors like Jaswant Thind, who apply their own experiences as new immigrants in their interactions with the bank's clients.

With several years of experience in sales and finance in Punjab, India, Thind landed a transition job the day after landing at Pearson International. "When I got my first cheque a week later, I didn't have an account to deposit it in" he recalls. Today, a financial advisor at Scotiabank's Queen Street branch in Brampton, Thind advises newcomers on issues vital to their settling in well in their new country.

"I see people who have been in Canada for three or four years and still don't have a credit card. They come from cash societies where credit card use is still to catch on in a big way. I tell them to apply for a no-fee credit card[2] through the *Scotiabank StartRight* Program; and that without a credit history, they will find it next to impossible to get a mortgage, or a car loan."

He says people often feel more comfortable discussing their finances in their own language and he is happy to speak to customers in Punjabi. "Coming from a similar background, I feel I understand their needs better."

Aware of the value South Asians place on education, he also advises them to invest in RESPs to finance their children's higher studies. Thind is active in the community and says people will often approach him at the gurudwara (Sikh temple of worship) or at malls and parks to ask for financial tips. "Coming from a similar background, I feel I understand their needs better" says Thind.

"At Scotiabank, we realize the importance of building a workforce that truly reflects the communities we serve" says Rania Llewellyn. The Bank embraces diversity in all its facets, and its culture is based on community and teamwork. "We even participate in programs that provide career opportunities to new immigrants", she adds.

Scotia advisors like Jaswant Thind can serve new immigrants in many different languages.

JASWANT THIND
FINANCIAL ADVISOR

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Activists blame Russian government for Beslan massacre

Russian opposition activists commemorated the fifth anniversary of the Beslan school tragedy by honouring the 334 people who died and blaming the Kremlin for their deaths. A few dozen activists gathered in a Moscow square, where they lit candles and laid flowers before photographs of the victims. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Hamas congratulates Ahmadinejad

The leader of the Hamas government in the Gaza Strip said Thursday that he affirmed his group's warm ties with Iran during a late-night telephone conversation with President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, left. Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh said the two men exchanged Ramadan greetings, and he congratulated Ahmadinejad over his recent re-election. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gunmen kill 18 in drug rehab

Neighbours mopped blood from the sidewalk outside a drug rehabilitation centre Thursday, cleaning up the carnage after gunmen lined up patients against a wall, then riddled them with bullets, killing 18.

1,300

Approximate number of homicides so far this year in Ciudad Juarez alone.

It was the third attack on a drug treatment centre in Ciudad Juarez. Chihuahua state authorities said Thursday they were investigating reports the centres have turned into hideouts for drug smugglers being sought by police and hit men from rival gangs.

Public Safety Secretary Genaro Garcia Luna, Mexico's top law enforcement official, said rehab clinics were also being used as recruiting and training centres by drug cartels. He told The Associated Press in an exclusive interview that a recently detained drug suspect belonging to the La Familia cartel oversaw various private, non-profit drug rehab centres across western Michoacan state. The suspect, Rafael Cedeno, claimed to have trained 9,000 recruits for the cartel in 2008.

Bloody footprints tracked from the door of the humble cinderblock Aliviane centre remained Thursday, as federal police and soldiers stood guard.

At 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, about eight gunmen broke down a door at the centre, lined their victims against a wall and shot them dead, authorities said. Police said one man died Thursday and another remained hospitalized.

Little information about the victims was available. Sobbing mothers and wives gathered outside the prosecutors' offices to demand answers and find out whether their loved ones were among the dead.

Elisabeth Quintero, 32, said she lost her son, 16, her younger brother, 28, and her cousin, 21.

The city is home to the Juarez cartel, which has been fighting other drug gangs for lucrative drug routes into the United States. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Police stand in front of the El Aliviane drug rehabilitation centre Thursday in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico.

Woman, suspected terrorist named to Iran's new cabinet

TEHRAN Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad received a broad mandate Thursday as parliament backed his main cabinet choices — naming the first woman minister since the 1979 Islamic Revolution but showing international defiance by supporting a suspected mastermind in the bombing of an Argentine Jewish centre that killed 85 people.

The most defiant message parliament sent was its overwhelming support for Ahmad Vahidi as defence minister. He is wanted over charges of involvement in the 1994 bombing of the Argentine-Israeli Mutual Association building in Buenos Aires.

Significant differences remained between Ahmadinejad and other conservative factions.

Some of those differences were apparent in the vote over the three women who Ahmadinejad proposed as Cabinet ministers. Lawmakers approved a 50-year-old gynecologist, Marzieh Vahid Dastjerdi, as health minister but rejected his nominees to head the education and welfare and social security ministries. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Reaction

- Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Yigal Palmor criticized Iran's promotion of suspected terrorist Ahmad Vahidi, saying it "is more proof of the violent nature of (Iran's) regime and a total disregard of the need to work with the international community."

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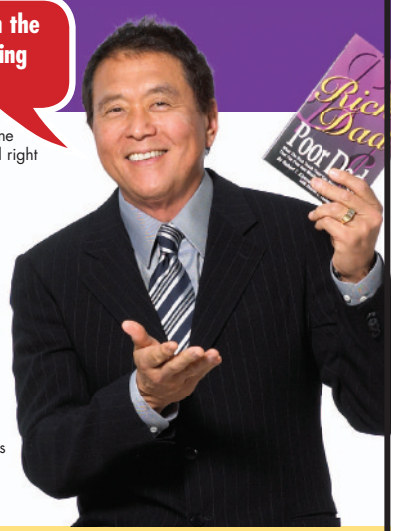

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News in brief

HONDURAS The Obama administration on Thursday cut all non-humanitarian aid to Honduras over the ouster of President Manuel Zelaya, making permanent a temporary suspension of U.S. aid imposed after he was deposed in June. U.S. State Department spokesman Ian Kelly did not say how much assistance would be cut but officials have said previously that more than $200 million US is at stake.

OOPS Dutch police who mowed down what they thought were illicit marijuana plants were red-faced Thursday when it emerged they'd ruined a research group's giant, officially sanctioned field of harmless hemp. Police proudly announced Wednesday that they had found more than 47,000 cannabis plants, with an estimated street value of nearly $4.5 million concealed in a corn field east of Amsterdam. They mowed down half the plants only to be informed they were the property of Wageningen University and Research Center, a respected agricultural school. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lawsuit over seals
Two environmental groups are suing the U.S. federal government for refusing to list ribbon seals as endangered because of threats from global warming. The Center for Biological Diversity and Greenpeace on Thursday sued the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in federal court in San Francisco. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Longest nails **Gone for good**

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Lee Redmond, who held a Guinness World Record for her long fingernails before they broke in a car crash in February, says she won't grow her nails out again. The Guinness website says her nails measured a total of more than 8.53 metres long in 2008, with her longest nail at 88.9 centimetres.

N. Korea closer to making nuke?

BOMBS North Korea said Friday that it is in the final stages of enriching uranium, a process that could give the nation a second way to make nuclear bombs in addition to its known plutonium-based program.

North Korea informed the UN Security Council it is forging ahead with its nuclear programs in spite of international calls to abandon its atomic ambitions, the official Korean Central News Agency said in a report early Friday. The dispatch said plutonium "is being weaponized," and that uranium enrichment was entering the "completion phase." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quake takes deadly toll

At least 57 dead in Indonesia

Children were crowded around a video game console, passing the time before they could break the Muslim holy month's daily fast, when an earthquake touched off a landslide that smothered their Indonesian village Wednesday.

6,700
Approximate number of homes destroyed in the district of Pangalengan

Rescuers were searching Thursday for those 13 children and several dozen more people buried alive, as officials warned the death toll of 57 is sure to rise.

Thousands of others were spending the night in tents after Wednesday's 7.0-magnitude quake flattened or seriously damaged more than 10,000 homes, offices, schools and mosques on the western side of the densely populated island of Java. Aid workers distributed provision kits, blankets and medicine, but said they were concerned remote areas had not received help following the temblor, which was felt for hundreds of kilometres.

At least 125 people were hospitalized with serious injuries and more than 5,300 others were in need of shelter, said Health Ministry Crisis Center chief Rustam Pakaya.

Of 37 people still missing after the quake, most are in Cikangkareng and 13 of them are children, said rescue worker Agus Sobari. "Their parents are still waiting at the scene, hoping we will find the bodies," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Body of Indian politician found

CRASH Rescuers retrieved the dead bodies Thursday of a powerful Indian politician and four others whose helicopter crashed in dense jungles during a pounding rainstorm.

The helicopter carrying Andhra Pradesh state Chief Minister Y.S.R. Reddy lost contact with air traffic controllers Wednesday morning, setting off a frantic 24-hour search operation involving the army, air force and police in a stronghold of Maoist rebels. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Numbers don't add up

Puzzling expenses, financial reporting at Ontario lottery corp.

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Like most people, I'm amazed at the expense claims filed by executives of the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corp. After all, what reasonable adult with a sense of propriety would assume it's justifiable to expense car detailing, dry cleaning, golf memberships, or annual credit card fees?

Not to mention the coffee, doughnuts and that reusable Sobeys grocery bag. People who do stuff like that used to be called chisellers, and even in this age of entitlement, it's deplorable.

I'm also astonished by Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty's solution — other than firing OLG's CEO and board — which is to make the province's integrity commissioner responsible for overseeing expenses at OLG and 22 other provincial agencies and boards. How much sense does it make to have the commissioner and her staff of nine vet all those expense reports when you could take existing provincial expense policies, shore them up where necessary, and tell management of all those agencies and boards to apply them religiously on pain of losing their jobs? To make sure, there will be spot checks, like urine tests for athletes.

"People who do stuff like that used to be called chisellers, and even in this age of entitlement, it's deplorable."

But forget the food, drink and other indulgences. What truly astounds me is how OLG's free-spending management has been getting away with such sketchy financial reporting. Based on the available financial evidence — and if you visit the OLG website, you'll see it's scant — OLG might not be an operation you would want to invest in. The one annual report posted on the site is for the pre-recession year ended March 31, 2007, and it shows OLG with net income of $1.67 billion on revenues of $6 billion. That's obviously a good margin, yet it was nearly six per cent less than OLG earned the previous year. Unlike most corporate annual reports, OLG provides no five- or 10-year comparisons, so we don't know whether revenues and earnings are growing or shrinking.

The site does, however, have quarterly reports showing five years of unaudited revenue figures for resort casinos and OLG casinos and slots ending with the 2008 fiscal year. Revenues in these categories, which normally provide more than 55 per cent of net income, are running three per cent lower than they were five years ago. As for the lottery and bingo revenues that generate the remaining profits, OLG tells us nothing, although a recent Statistics Canada study noted these activities levelled off in 2005 and actually dropped in 2008.

I'll give you odds they haven't improved since then.

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Views

May 14, 2013 – Looking into crystal ball

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The bill for B.C.'s wild spending spree is in. If I were the government's dad I would take away its credit card. A $2.8-billion deficit is a bit rich, especially as it's a long way from the $495 million Victoria solemnly promised to spend this year.

I guess all those Canada Lines, convention centres and skating ovals cost more than they figured. Don't forget: The $2.8 billion is for this year only; more deficits are forecast until the 2013-14 fiscal year, when Finance Minister Colin Hansen sees a return to the balanced budgets of yore. It is, no doubt, a coincidence that May 14, 2013, is the date of the next provincial election.

These are fiscal "conservatives." Imagine what the bill would be if those tax-and-spend socialists were in power. And they may well be, come May 14, 2013, if the electorate can sustain its thirst for vengeance until then.

But we've all got political ADD. We may be joining hands and singing Won't Get Fooled Again right now, but the odds are, we will. Over and over again.

It doesn't seem likely, however, that Gordon Campbell will be running again, even if he says he is. Do you believe anything this man says? He thinks we can't handle the truth. By May 14, 2013, he'll be 65, and while mandatory retirement may not fit the busy, active baby boomer lifestyle, he's sure to be worn out from spending other peoples' money and will be looking to slow down … on Maui or some other fancy pasture.

At the other (red) end of the political spectrum, it's also not likely that Carole James will be sticking around. Her work is done here, whether she admits it or not.

Campbell has shot himself in the foot so many times he doesn't have to wear sandals to stay cool, but James has been unable to capitalize, and now what's her budget message? The Liberals are fiscal incompetents and deceitful? Well, yeah, but what's the alternative?

So it's conceivable that we'll have neither Campbell nor James to kick around on May 14, 2013.

And you could see that as a positive development — until you start wondering about who's next?

Colin Hansen? Surely not until he learns how to count. Anyone in the NDP caucus? Name one. Nope, I think that in the wake of this latest catastrophe, the happiest guy in the province has to be that electable guy from that Happy Planet, Vancouver Mayor Gregor Robertson, who can tool around the bike paths of Vancouver looking cool until the time comes to attend the coronation of the, uh, NDP (or maybe the Liberals — who knows?).

On May 14, 2013, see if I'm not right.

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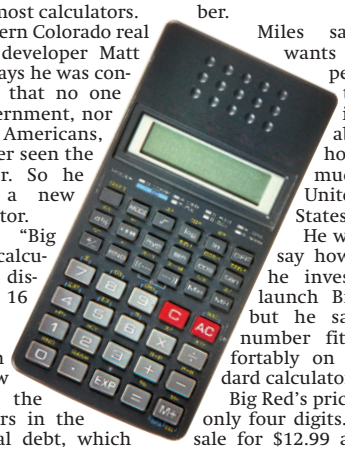
Worth mentioning

Calculator puts U.S. debt into perspective

The U.S. national debt is so large, it doesn't even fit on most calculators.

Western Colorado real estate developer Matt Miles says he was concerned that no one in government, nor most Americans, had ever seen the number. So he made a new calculator.



The "Big Red" calculator displays 16 digits. That's enough to show all the numbers in the national debt, which totalled nearly $11.8 trillion US — or $11,792,918,170,836.43 — at the start of September.

Miles says he wants to get people thinking about how much the United States owes. He wouldn't say how much he invested to launch Big Red, but he says the number fits comfortably on a standard calculator.

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Canada still in recession?

Paris-based group says recovery will trail G7 countries

An international economic think-tank is declaring Canada is still in recession, an assessment that is at odds with the Bank of Canada and most private sector analysts.

The Paris-based Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development says Canada's economy will continue to shrink in the current quarter at a rate of two per cent, in contrast with the Bank of Canada's contention that the recession has ended.

In July, the central bank predicted the current quarter will see a 1.3 per cent growth.

The OECD projection is also far more gloomy about Canada in the fourth quarter, putting growth at a minuscule 0.4 per cent, compared to the Bank of Canada's three per cent growth projection.

The think-tank's numbers, if correct, will mean Canada will trail the G7 nations in its recovery.

"It doesn't sound current with the data," said Avery Shenfeld, the chief economist with CIBC World Markets.

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OECD's forecast

- The OECD says Canada will see gross domestic product shrink by 2.5 per cent this year as a whole, slightly better than its June forecast of a 2.6 per cent retreat, but still below the Bank of Canada's estimate of a 2.3 per cent decline.

United States Retail sales decline

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Shoppers carrying purchases from T.J. Maxx and Macy's leave a mall in New York last week. Retailers in the U.S. on Thursday posted sales dips for August as shoppers held back on back-to-school purchases and continued to focus on necessities, raising further concern about the upcoming holiday season.

Nexen makes large discovery

ENERGY Nexen Inc. says it has made a "substantial" discovery of additional energy resources in the U.K. North Sea in the Golden Eagle area.

The Calgary-based oil and gas company said Thursday it estimates Golden Eagle contains the equivalent of between 150 million and 275 million barrels of oil, classified as recoverable contingent resource.

Nexen didn't provide an estimate on how much of the discovery is comprised of natural gas and how much of it is crude.

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Job creation could be on the rise

ECONOMY Canadian workers could be in for the most encouraging news in months Friday, just in time for Labour Day — a return to job creation coinciding with the first positive economic growth in almost a year.

Jobs is often called a lagging indicator, so the consensus is that Statistics Canada will report the country shed another 15,000 jobs last month.

But at least one economist, CIBC chief economist Avery Shenfeld, is predicting just the opposite, saying up to 15,000 jobs may have been created during the month.

Last week, StatsCan reported that Canada's economy began to expand ever so slightly in June, and forecasters widely expect the momentum continued both in July and August, particularly with federal infrastructure dollars flowing during the summer months.

"Usually recessions begin when employment is declining and recessions end when employment is growing," said Shenfeld, but added that the lagging-indicator mantra can be overstated.

Normally, the unemployment rate often continues to rise months after economic expansion begins because the new jobs created are not sufficient to overcome population growth and discouraged workers returning to the workforce.

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U.S. not as hot

- In some cases, like in Canada and the United States in 1991-92, recession was followed by a so-called jobless recovery and a similar pattern appears to be emerging south of the border this time.

Business in brief

OIL & GAS Total Energy Services Inc., a Calgary-based oil and gas services company, has raised its 2009 capital spending budget to $15.9 million from $9.9 million. That represents a 60 per cent increase.

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Vick can return in Week 3
Philadelphia's Michael Vick, released after serving 18 months of a 23-month sentence for his involvement in dogfighting, can return in the third game of the season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Canada falls to U.S.

HOCKEY CANADA CUP

U.S. 4 Canada 2

Jenny Potter scored a pair of goals for the U.S. women in a 4-2 win over Canada at the Hockey Canada Cup on Thursday.

The U.S. and Canada were 2-1 to conclude the preliminary round of the Olympic test event followed by Finland and Sweden at 1-2. Sweden beat Finland 3-1 earlier Thursday.

Canada meets Sweden and the Americans and Finns square off in Saturday's semifinal round with the winners advancing to Sunday's final. Finland upset the U.S. 3-2 to open the tournament Monday.

One of Potter's goals was short-handed less than a minute into the third period. Kerry Weiland and Hilary Knight also scored for the U.S., which had a 3-0 lead before Canada scored its first goal midway through the third period.

Meghan Agosta of Ruthven, Ont., and Brianne Jenner of Oakville, Ont., scored for Canada in front of 6,833 at GM Place.

The U.S. improved to 5-2 versus Canada in their last seven meetings, including victories in the last two world championship finals. Thursday's game was the first of up to 10 meetings between the two rivals as they prepare for the Olympic Games in Vancouver next February.

TSN will carry Sunday's final on tape delay (9 p.m. PT). The rest of the games can be viewed on Hockey Canada's website via webcast.

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Team United States' Jenny Potter, left, tries to get a shot past Canada goaltender Shannon Szabado on Thursday night.

Big names fall at U.S. Open

The future looks bright for Melanie Oudin. Maybe for American tennis, too.

Blinking back tears and ignoring the pain, the 17-year-old Georgian pulled off the biggest upset so far at the U.S. Open on Thursday, a 5-7, 6-4, 6-3 victory over No. 4 Elena Dementieva.

The win was a nice bookend to go along with a victory over No. 6 Jelena Jankovic at Wimbledon, where Oudin became the youngest player to make the fourth round since Jennifer Capriati in 1993.

Jankovic made another early departure from a Grand Slam event Thursday, losing to 55th-ranked Yaroslava Shvedova of Kazakhstan 6-3, 6-7 (4), 7-6 (6). Jankovic reached the U.S. Open final in 2008, and she was seeded No. 5 this year.

The losses by Dementieva and Jankovic mean half of the top 20 seeded women are out of the draw.

No. 1 Dinara Safina nearly joined the parade of surprising exits, turning in her second poor performance of the week before hanging on to edge 67th-ranked Kristina Barrois of Germany 6-7 (5), 6-2, 6-3.

No seeded men lost in early action Thursday, when the winners included 2007 runner-up Novak Djokovic, and four Americans: 276th-ranked Jesse Witten, 55th-ranked John Isner, No. 21 James Blake and No. 22 Sam Querrey. French Open runner-up Robin Soderling advanced when his opponent, Marcel Granollers, quit during the third game with a back injury.

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Dubois

- Stephanie Dubois of Laval, Que., was eliminated following a 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 loss to Romanian teenager Sorana Cirstea.

Sports in brief

NBA Bruce Bowen won't be pestering the NBA's best anymore. The former San Antonio Spurs forward retired Thursday after 12 seasons and a reputation as one of the league's most menacing defenders, hounding opponents with a tenacity that some players groused was more dirty than dogged.

TRACK Sprinter Usain Bolt and long-distance runner Kenenisa Bekele are both unbeatable — over their distance. So, why not have them race against each other somewhere in between? "If Usain agrees, if someone wants to organize this, I am ready," Bekele said Thursday, a day before the Memorial Van Damme Golden League meet.

FIBA Canada's men's basketball team defeated Panama 97-65 at the FIBA Americas tournament Thursday to remain in the running for a berth in next year's world basketball championships in Turkey. The Canadians face the Dominican Republic in a crucial game Friday.

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Storm on the horizon

NHLPA trouble doesn't bode well for league, fans

Just when you figure hockey is above it all — it looks like it's time to reconsider.

The recent firing of NHLPA boss Paul Kelly is the latest in a series of signs that suggests what is arguably the greatest professional team sport in the world is headed for hard times once more.

Just think about it.

During Kelly's tenure of slightly less than two years have we heard much about that ugly phrase, "The Collective Bargaining Agreement?" Have we worried to any great extent about work stoppages or franchise losses in the heartland Canadian cities of the NHL like Edmonton, Calgary, Ottawa or Montreal?

The answer is no.

Instead we've witnessed the ripening of stars like Sidney Crosby and Alex Ovechkin and seen the continued maturing of the NHL where all teams have the prospect of succeeding because they have similar ambitions to have the best players on side.

If hockey goes back to the union hard liners, as the dismissal of the moderate Kelly foreshadows, the game at its highest level will surely return to a dark era in which the "big market" clubs have all the clout and the "have-not" cities merely tread water.

Nobody wants this — not while the lost season of 2004-05 is still fresh in most fans' recollection.

Hockey has enough to deal with in this day of fragmentation and entertainment abundance. It does not need a renaissance of worker-management trash talk that will definitely cause a further distraction from the beauty that occurs on the ice.

At its best, hockey is speed and skill and intense rivalry. You can barely sit in your seat if you're in the arena or dare to sneak to the bathroom when you're at home watching on TV. You dare not miss a thing.

"At its worst, hockey is played by lawyers in backrooms far away from the ice bickering about salary caps."

At its worst, hockey is played by lawyers in backrooms far away from the ice bickering about salary caps and entry-level compensation or, horror of horrors, restricted free-agency regulations.

There's way too much talk about the NHLPA in the news these days.

Sadly that spells stormy weather on hockey's horizon.

Paul Kelly denies union allegations

HOCKEY Former NHLPA boss Paul Kelly has denied an allegation that he misused his office by reading a transcript of a private players' meeting.

"I cannot stand by and allow this false and misleading attack on my character and reputation," Kelly said in a statement released Thursday. "I spent almost 10 years as a federal prosecutor, prosecuting numerous cases pertaining to fraud and dishonesty ... My personal ethics and reputation are beyond reproach."

Meanwhile, another member of the NHLPA front office has resigned in the wake of Kelly's dismissal.

Glenn Healy stepped down as director of player affairs Thursday. His resignation comes after assistant director of player affairs Pat Flatley resigned earlier this week along with Bob Lundquist, a union accounting consultant.

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Bad day?

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"Trust me, women are much worse than men," says Sorority Row star and celebrity offspring Rumer Willis. "When they want revenge, they'll get you right in the heart." In the horror flick, Willis stars as the shy member of a group of sorority sisters.

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Pretty faces going to hell

Sisterhood on rampage in horror thriller Sorority Row

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

Movie **feature**

Is there anything more moving then the bond shared between women? That primal connection which aligns females all over the world as sisters? Laughing together, crying together, playing together, killing together, dying together ...

In Stewart Hendler's new horror thriller Sorority Row (a loose remake of the cult classic '80s slasher The House on Sorority Row), that lethal turn of estrogen blending is exactly what happens.

The film stars celebrity offspring Rumer Willis (daughter of Bruce Willis and Demi Moore ... and stepdaughter to Ashton Kutcher) as the shy member of a group of sorority sisters whose not-so innocent prank involving one of their flock goes horribly, fatally awry.

When they attempt to cover up their grisly crime, the former BFF's turn on each other, secrets are exposed and a masked serial killer begins murdering them one by one.

"My character is a bit of nerd, an innocent," says Willis of her seemingly less manipulative role.

"She's the voice of reason. She's part of the gang and becomes caught up in the crisis, but she's still somewhat on the sidelines. She can't quite fit in with the rest of the girls."

Rounding out the young cast is Briana Evigan (Step Up 2), Jamie Chung (Dragonball Evolution), Leah Pipes (Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles) and The Hills starlet Audrina Patridge.

Sorority Row opens in theatres next week

From left, Briana Evigan, Leah Pipes and Rumer Willis star in Sorority Row.

The film trades in cheesecake imagery, ripe melodrama and graphic horror, but — as Willis claims — Sorority Row's bloody tongue is wedged firmly in cheek.

"It definitely has comedy in it," says the actress.

"It's an odd juxtaposition with the pretty girls and humour and the heavy gore. But I really think we didn't push it as far as it could have gone. I mean there's face ripping and stuff, but this is definitely not Hostel."

Willis — who cites Stanley Kubrick's immortal dystopian shocker A Clockwork Orange as a personal favorite — is also quick to admit that, although Sorority Row may be romp, heavy on the saucy pulp fiction and not meant to be taken too seriously, the subtext of sisterhood gone sour is steeped in truth.

"Trust me, women are much worse than men. When they want revenge they'll get you right in the heart."

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About Steve, and everyone else

All About **Steve**

Director: Phil Traill
Stars: Sandra Bullock, Thomas Haden Church, Bradley Cooper
Classification: STC
Rating: ⊕⊕

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Sandra Bullock is smitten with Bradley Cooper in the comedy All About Steve.

REVIEW Awkward behaviour is a comedy staple. Create a character who says the wrong thing at the wrong time and you've got yourself some chuckles. However, it is a delicate balancing act.

It's perfectly fine if a character annoys everyone onscreen, but once the audience is annoyed you've got problems.

Unfortunately the protagonist of All About Steve would irritate anyone with a pulse.

Sandra Bullock stars as a crossword writer who can't keep herself from spitting out every obscure fact that pops into her head. By the time the film ends we're expected to embrace her foibles, but sadly she's just too obnoxious and one note for that to ever be possible.

Part of the problem is that the movie loses focus early on. The film starts with Bullock being set up on a date with pretty boy Hangover star Bradley Cooper, who is immediately put off by her. However, Bullock is undeterred and starts following Cooper's news team around the country.

It certainly doesn't help that 30 minutes in she gets lost in the shuffle and the film is given over to a collection of recognizable comedy co-stars like Thomas Haden Church's arrogant news anchor, Ken Jeong's pushover assistant, DJ Qualls' obsessive apple carver and others.

The problem is that the script was obviously rewritten to accommodate all the actors, and in the last half of All About Steve it's difficult to tell who the movie is even about.

Searching for lama

IAN GORMELY
for Metro Canada

FEATURE "You could say it was love at first sight."

That's how filmmaker Nati Baratz describes his first meeting with Tibetan monk Tenzin Zopa, the subject of his new documentary Unmistaken Child — opening next week. The film chronicles Tenzin's quest to find the young reincarnation of his lifelong master Lama Konchog.

But this was not the film Baratz intended to make when he set out for Asia. Originally, he wanted to document a group of orthodox Jews search for a hidden Jewish-Tibetan tribe.

He met Tenzin while in Nepal, researching his movie and attending classes at a Tibetan Buddhist monastery. He was there to speak about his life and his master who had just died. Baratz says he realized, "this is the movie I want to make."

But it took months for both Tenzin and the Tibetan monks Baratz their permission to make the film. "It was a long process," says Baratz. "Twenty-thirty hour bus trips, five times. They examined my patience."

He wasn't even allowed to show his raw footage until the Dalai Lama had approved the reincarnation.

Baratz doesn't believe in reincarnation. Rather, it was his belief in Tenzin's dedication to his master that helped him work through all the hurdles thrown down by the monks.

"Tenzin said, 'but what if we never find the reincarnation? What if it takes 20 years?' He was very much worried about me making this commitment." After all, scouring the Nepalese country for a one-year-old reincarnated lama is like digging out a needle from a haystack.

"I told him that I am ready to take on the responsibility on the condition that he would be with me the whole way."

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More security for Jessica Parker and company

Extra security has been called in for Sarah Jessica Parker and her co-stars while they film Sex and the City 2, since crazed fans have reportedly been showing up and disrupting work, according to Gatecrasher. METRO WORLD NEWS

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Dolls come alive in 9

Animation takes a dark turn in Elijah Wood film

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

At next year's Comic-Con, if you see someone who's a little short to be a stormtrooper, chances are it won't be Elijah Wood.

Though the instantly recognizable Lord of the Rings star acknowledges he'd need a disguise to be able to walk the floor of the San Diego Convention Center without getting mobbed, he's looking for something a little less bulky.

"A stormtrooper would be rad, but it would be really hot. It may not be very enjoyable," Wood admits. "Maybe just a burglar or something. Something really basic so that I could hide my face."

When Wood stopped by Comic-Con in July to promote his new animated film, 9, he didn't get much opportunity to check out the scene — costume or no costume.

9 opens in theatres Wednesday

"After a full day of press, the last place I wanted to go is back to the Convention Center," he says. "What I'd like to do is go on a year that I'm not working at the festival." He'd better start planning his costume now, then.

In the film 9, Elijah Wood voices one of nine stitched dolls surviving in a post-apocalyptic world.

In 9, Wood voices the latest of nine stitched dolls come to life that are all that's left of humanity in a post-apocalyptic world. Though it's not Wood's first foray into animation, the film is a far cry from his last project, Happy Feet. And that's just fine with him.

"I'm always just simply looking for something that is different from anything I've done. Both as an actor, to continue to challenge myself, but also in terms of storytelling and kinds of movies," Wood says.

He also has a soft spot for animation in general, though he regrets the stigma the genre has stateside.

"It's only in America that animation has been delineated as being only for kids. It's a mentality. In Japan and in Europe, they make animated movies for everybody, to tell different kinds of stories."

But having a variety of subject matter on your resume is one of the perks of being an industry veteran, which Wood finds himself as at quite an early age.

"It occurred to me this year that I've been doing this for 20 years," he says. And sitting as a handy turning point in that 20-year career is the Lord of the Rings trilogy, for which he's best known — and for which he still gets plenty of questions about. Not that it bothers him.

"I could sit around and talk about it for hours. I honestly don't get tired of it," he says.

More silly than satire

Extract

Director: Mike Judge
Stars: Jason Bateman, Mila Kunis
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Mila Kunis stars in Extract.

REVIEW With his 1999 cult-hit comedy Office Space, filmmaker Mike Judge won over audiences by tapping into the trivialities of the working stiff. Now, the man who also created TV's King of the Hill is back on the job with Extract.

This time, however, Judge has set his latest laugher at a small-town extract factory where Joel (Jason Bateman) manages a mélange of unco-operative misfits. When an attractive, young grifter (Mila Kunis) suddenly gets hired on, Joel is bolstered by the prospect of pepping up his boring life with the notion of an affair.

Coached by his bartending bro (Ben Affleck) during one inebriated evening, Joel regrettably agrees to hire a gigolo to seduce his wife (SNL's Kristen Wiig) in order to alleviate the subsequent guilt of his anticipated infidelity.

Compared to Office Space, Extract is small on satire and more focused on silly situational comedy. In that sense, Judge lacks focus on the narrative leaving the audience to follow the meandering, wandering structure on their own. Luckily though, Judge's strength lies more in developing detailed characters that shine in satirical specificities.

While Bateman easily fits into the role of stupefied straight man, his supporting cast resonates with blue-collar authenticity. But the true scene-stealer in Extract is comic-actor David Koechner (Anchorman) who remarkably manages to capture the riotous nuances of that annoying suburban neighbour who just doesn't know how to take a hint.

• For Extract photos, a trailer and screen times — or to buy tickets — visit metronews.ca/movies

Yoga doc relaxed to a fault

Enlighten Up

Director: Kate Richardson
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●½

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

The documentary Enlighten Up looks at the benefits of practising yoga through the eyes of a non-believer.

REVIEW Kate Richardson's new documentary is about the mental and physical benefits of practising yoga as experienced by a non-believer — specifically a skeptical, out-of-work journalist named Nick Rosen.

Given this human-guinea-pig set-up, it doesn't take long for Enlighten Up to fall into a Supersize Me-style groove, with the less-than-affable Rosen submitting to daily body-bending under the watchful eyes of several renowned yogis (and also his yoga-friendly director).

The process doesn't take off at first, leading to tension as Richardson starts needling her subject/collaborator to become more flexible (in both senses of the world).

It's surely amusing to note that the filmmaker's commitment to meditation hasn't necessarily softened all of her edges, and Rosen is adept at pushing her buttons. This convert-skeptic push-pull is frequently entertaining.

But the film's analysis of the downward-dog-and-pony-show that is the worldwide yoga industry is skimpy.

In lieu of any truly detailed analysis about the mind-body link, we get glossy travelogue segments (in Hawaii and India) and talking head interviews with colorful characters (like former pro wrestler Diamond Dallas Page).

Appropriately for a film about yoga, Enlighten Up feels relaxed, but maybe to a fault: in refusing to push beyond pop-doc conventions, it merely confirms the featherweight promise of its title.

Ritchie eyes Lobo

With Sherlock Holmes wrapped and due in cinemas on Boxing Day, it's time for Guy Ritchie to move to his next project. That, according to Variety, will be DC Comics' psycho sci-fi biker bounty hunter Lobo. **EMPIREONLINE.COM**

Reel Time

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Reel jobs are mean business

Next to Johnny "Take This Job and Shove It" Paycheck, director Mike Judge may be the closest thing we have to a patron saint of crappy jobs.

His 1999 movie Office Space — about company workers who rebel against their miserly boss — was recently ranked number one in a poll of best workplace comedies ever, and this weekend his film Extract details life inside a factory.

He's the man who made wearing "37 piece of flair" on a restaurant uniform synonymous with the worst of minimum wage life. For anyone who's ever had a job they hated — and who hasn't? — Mike Judge is the go-to movie guy.

When he put the words "I don't like my job, and I don't think I'm gonna go anymore," into Ron Livingston's mouth in Office Space, he was voicing a thought that has raced through all our minds at least once.

The only cinematic workplace worse than the ones Judge has conjured up has to be the real estate office in Glengarry Glen Ross. The story is simple. It shows two days in the lives of four salesmen, two of whom will be fired by week's end if their sales aren't high enough.

Fighting for their lives the four main salesmen — Jack Lemmon, Ed Harris, Al Pacino and Alan Arkin — redefine ruthlessness.

1980's Nine to Five, which also spawned a TV series and a Broadway show, exposed the trials and tribulations of the workspace.

Long John Silver wasn't as cutthroat as these guys and the language they use would give any HR department a collective coronary. The vernacular was so rough during production the actors referred to the film as Death of a F*&@in' Salesman.

A bit more genteel, language wise at least, is 1980's Nine to Five. In our era of flexi-time hours the name is a bit of an anachronism, but 8:15 to 4:30 just doesn't have the same ring. This story of sexual harassment, the glass ceiling that faced working women and a "sexist, egotistical, lying, hypocritical bigot" boss spawned not only a hit single, but also a television show and a hit Broadway show.

Hollywood's use of the workplace as a setting is a no brainer; there's interaction between diverse characters, which means plenty of conflict and it's something we can all relate to.

"Perhaps the real reason we watch these movies ... is that no matter what your job, someone, on film at least, has it worse than you."

Everyone at one time or another has had a job they hated, but perhaps the real reason we watch these movies and others like Clerks and Modern Times is that no matter what your job, someone, on film at least, has it worse than you.

Richard Crouse's Movie Show can be seen every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. on the E! Channel; mrchaos33@hotmail.com.

Taiwan OK with Chinese civil war film

RELEASE Taiwan won't censor the political content in rival China's upcoming propaganda blockbuster about the civil war that split the two sides, the island's top film official said Thursday.

Still, The Founding of a Republic won't be released in Taiwan until next year at the earliest because the island's annual quota of 10 mainland movies has already been filled.

Featuring cameos from Jackie Chan, Jet Li and scores of other Chinese stars, The Founding of a Republic is set against the 1940s Chinese civil war, which saw the Chinese Communist Party force the ruling Nationalists to retreat to Taiwan. The production was commissioned to mark the 60th anniversary of Communist rule, which will be celebrated Oct. 1.

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Enlighten Up! (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:15-5:15-7:30-9:30
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Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Thu 11:45-3:10-6:45-10:20 Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7:10-10:45
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Taking Woodstock (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:35-4:25-7:15-10:10
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District 9 (18A) Fri 7-9:15 Sat-Sun 4:45-7-9:15 Mon-Thu 7-9:15

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ESPLANADE 6
200 West Esplanade, 604-983-2762

The Final Destination 3D (18A) No Passes Fri-Mon 1:35-3:50-7:20-9:45 Tue-Thu 7:20-9:45
G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (14A) Digital Presentation Fri-Mon 1:30-4:05-6:40-9:25 Digital Presentation Tue-Thu 6:40-9:25
Gamer (18A) No Passes Fri-Mon 1:20-4:15-7-9:50 No Passes Tue-Thu 7-9:50
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Mon 3:40-6:50-10 Tue-Thu 6:50-10
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Mon 1:15-4-6:45-9:30 Tue-Thu 6:45-9:30
Shorts (G) Fri-Mon 1:25-3:30-7:10 Tue-Thu 7:10
Taking Woodstock (14A) Fri-Thu 9:35

PARK & TILFORD
333 Brooksbank Ave., 604-985-3911

9 (PG) Wed-Thu 7-9:20
All About Steve (PG) No Passes Fri-Mon 12:40-3:20-6:50-9:40 No Passes Tue-Thu 6:50-9:40 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
District 9 (18A) Fri-Mon 12:30-3:10-6:40-9:50 Tue-Thu 6:40-9:50
Extract (PG) Fri-Mon 12:50-3-5:10-7:20-10 Tue-Thu 7:20-10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
G-Force in Disney Digital 3D (G) Fri-Mon 12-2:30-4:50-7-9:20 Tue 7-9:20
Halloween II (18A) Fri-Mon 12:20-2:50-5-7:10-9:45 Tue-Thu 7:10-9:45
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Mon 12:10-2:40-6:30-9:30 Tue-Thu 6:30-9:30

RICHMOND

RICHMOND CENTRE 6
6551 #3 Road, 604-273-7173

District 9 (18A) Fri 4:15-7:05-9:55 Sat-Mon 1:25-4:15-7:05-9:55 Tue-Thu 4:15-7:05
The Final Destination (18A) Fri 4:25-7:20-9:30 Sat-Mon 1:35-4:25-7:20-9:30 Tue-Thu 4:25-7:20
Gamer (18A) Fri 4:20-7:10-9:40 Sat-Mon 1:30-4:20-7:10-9:40 Tue-Thu 4:20-7:10
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri 4-7:30 Sat-Mon 2:30-6:30-9:50 Tue-Thu 4-7:30
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri 4:05-6:55-9:50 Sat-Mon 1:15-4:05-6:55-9:50 Tue-Thu 4:05-6:55
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri 4:10-7-9:35 Sat-Mon 1:20-4:10-7-9:35 Tue-Thu 4:10-7

SILVERCITY RIVERPORT
14211 Entertainment Way, 604-272-7280

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Apni Boli Apna Des (Punjabi w/e.s.t.) (STC) Fri-Thu 12:15-4:10-7:55
District 9 (18A) Fri-Thu 12:30-1-3:25-4-7:30-10-10:45
Extract (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:35-6:45-9:30
The Final Destination 3D (18A) Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
G-Force in Disney Digital 3D (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:15-9:45
G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-7:10-10:20
Gamer (18A) Fri-Thu 2-4:45-7:45-10:25
The Goods: Live Hard. Sell Hard. (14A) Fri-Tue 10:35
Halloween II (18A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:15-7:40-10:40
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince: The IMAX Experience (PG) Fri 11:45-3:20-6:45-10:15 Sat-Mon 11:45-3:15-6:45-10:15 Tue-Thu 1-4:30-8
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-3
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-6:30-7-9:55-10:30
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:20-6:35-9:45
Metropolitan Opera: La Boheme Sat 10
Ponyo (G) Fri-Thu 12:55-4:25-7:25
Shorts (G) Fri-Thu 12:05-3:15-6:40-9:15
Taking Woodstock (14A) Fri-Tue 1:15-4:40-7:50-10:50 Wed-Thu 10:25
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Wed 1:05-4:05-6:55-9:50 Thu 4:05-6:55-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
The Ugly Truth (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:50-7:20-10:10

BURNABY

DOLPHIN CINEMAS
4555 E. Hastings St., 604-293-0332

Julie & Julia (PG) Fri 4:30-7-9:30 Sat-Mon 2-4:30-7-9:30 Tue-Thu 4:30-7-9:30
Shorts (G) Fri-Sun 4:30-6-8 Mon 2:30-4:30-6-8 Tue 5-7-9 Wed-Thu 4:30-6-8

SILVERCITY METROPOLIS
4700 Kingsway Ave., 604-435-7474

9 (PG) Wed-Thu 12:40-2:50-5:10-7:35-10
All About Steve (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:10-3:50-7:20-9:50
District 9 (18A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:30-10:10
The Final Destination 3D (18A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3-5:10-7:15-9:55
G-Force in Disney Digital 3D (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:40-5-7:25-9:30
G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (14A) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:30-6:40-9:35
Gamer (18A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7:05-9:45
Halloween II(18A)Fri-Thu 12:50-4:15-6:55-10:05
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Thu 12-3:20-6:45-10:15
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Tue 12:40-3:30-6:55-9:55
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:40-7-9:40

STATION SQUARE
220-6200 McKay Ave., 604-434-7711

Extract (PG) Fri 5-7:20-10 Sat-Mon 2:20-5-7:20-10 Tue-Thu 5-7:20
Funny People (18A) Fri-Mon 9:20 Tue-Thu 7:20
The Goods: Live Hard. Sell Hard. (14A) Fri 7:25-9:50 Sat-Mon 4:30-7:25-9:50 Tue-Thu 4:30-7:25
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri 4:25-7:30 Sat-Mon 1:20-4:25-7:30 Tue-Thu 4:25-7:30
The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri 4:20-7:9:40 Sat-Mon 1:30-4:20-7:9:40 Tue-Thu 4:20-7
Ponyo (G) Fri 4:40-7:15-9:30 Sat-Mon 2-4:40-7:15-9:30 Tue-Thu 4:40-7:15
Shorts (G) Fri 4:30 Sat-Mon 1:50
The Ugly Truth (14A) Fri 4:50-7:10-9:45 Sat-Mon 2:10-4:50-7:10-9:45 Tue-Thu 4:50-7:10
Up (G) Fri 4:30-7:05 Sat-Mon 1:40-4:30-7:05 Tue-Thu 4:30

NEW WEST/ COQUITLAM

SILVERCITY COQUITLAM
170 Schoolhouse Street, 604-523-2911

(500) Days of Summer (PG) Fri-Tue 1:15-3:45-7:20-10:25 Wed 3:45-7:20-10:25 Thu 1:15-3:45-7:20-10:25 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
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The Hangover (18A) Fri-Thu 10
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50-3:25-6:55-10:25
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (G) Fri-Thu 12-2:30-6:40
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Thu 12:45-4:20-7-8:10:30
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Thu 12:05-3:15-6:50-9:50
Ponyo (G) Fri-Tue 12:25-2:50 Wed-Thu 12:25-2:55
Post Grad (PG) Fri-Tue 9:40
Shorts (G) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:55
Taking Woodstock (14A) Fri-Tue 12-4-7:40-10:50 Wed-Thu 10:50
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:05-6:45-9:45
The Ugly Truth Fri-Thu 12:20-3:05-7:55-10:30

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5732-176th St., Surrey, 604-541-9527

The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Sun 7-9:05 Mon-Thu 7

HOLLYWOOD 3 CINEMA
7125-138th St., Surrey, 604-592-4441

The Goods: Live Hard. Sell Hard. (14A) Fri-Thu 9:30
The Hangover (18A) Fri-Thu 9:40
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri-Mon 12:30-4-6:50 Tue-Thu 4-6:50
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (G) Fri-Mon 12-2:15-6:30 Tue-Thu 6:30
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 8:25
Shorts (G) Fri-Thu 4:30
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (14A) Fri-Mon 2-6:45 Tue-Thu 6:45
Up (G) Fri-Mon 12-4:45 Tue-Thu 4:45

STRAWBERRY HILL GRANDE
12161-72nd Ave, Surrey, 604-501-9400

9 (PG) Wed-Thu 12:55-3-5:05-7:05-9:20
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Apni Boli Apna Des (Punjabi w/e.s.t.) (STC) Fri-Thu 1:05-4:30-8
Daddy Cool (Hindi) (PG) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:15-7:15-10:10
District 9 (18A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:40-7:30-10:15
The Final Destination 3D (18A) Fri-Thu 1-3:05-5:10-7:25-9:40
G-Force (G) Fri-Thu 1:30
G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:55-6:50-9:30
Gamer (18A) Fri-Thu 1:35-4-7-9:35
Halloween II (18A) Fri-Thu 1:20-3:50-6:55-9:25
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Thu 1:55-6:30-9:50
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Tue 1:15-4:05-7:05-10:05
Kaminey (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 3:40-6:45-9:55
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STUDIO 12 GUILDFORD
15051-101st Ave, Surrey, 604-581-1176

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The Goods: Live Hard. Sell Hard. (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Tue 6:55-9:35
Halloween II (18A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:10-4:45-7:20-10:05
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Shorts (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:55-4:10-6:45
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Tue 4:20-7:05-9:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:50

RIALTO
1732-152nd St., 604-541-9527

The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri 7:10 Sat-Sun 2-7:10 Mon-Thu 7:10
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri 7-9:15 Sat-Sun 2:10-7-9:15 Mon-Thu 7-9:15
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Thu 9:30

CRITERION 4 WHITE ROCK
2381 King George Hwy., 604-531-7456

(500) Days of Summer (PG) Fri 7:20-9:20 Sat-Sun 2:20-7:20-9:20 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:20
District 9 (18A) Fri 7:10-9:25 Sat-Sun 2:10-7:10-9:25 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:25
The Final Destination (18A) No Passes Fri 7:30-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 2:30-7:30-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:30-9:30
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COLOSSUS LANGLEY
20090-91A Ave, Langley, 604-513-8747

(500) Days of Summer (PG) Fri-Mon 12:20-3:55-7:9:30 Tue 3:55-7-9:30 Wed 7-9:30 Thu 3:55-7-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 3
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Post Grad (PG) Fri-Tue 9:55
Shorts (G) Fri-Mon 12:35-3:50 Tue-Thu 3:50
Taking Woodstock (14A) Fri-Mon 11:55-3:30-6:45-9:50 Tue 3:30-6:45-9:50 Wed-Thu 9:50
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Mon 1:05-4-7:05-10:15 Tue-Thu 4-7:05-10:15
The Ugly Truth (14A) Fri-Mon 12:25-3:50-7:15-9:40 Tue-Thu 3:50-7:15-9:40

Billboard's top albums
1. Breakthrough, Colbie Caillat (right); **2.** Awake, Skillet; **3.** Time Of Our Lives, Miley Cyrus; **4.** Only By the Night, Kings of Leon; **5.** Ellipse, Imogen Heap. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Remastering The Beatles

SoundCheck
Alan Cross
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Digitally remastered versions of all of The Beatles studio albums will be released for the first time next week.

Most people have forgotten that the Beatles were latecomers to the compact disc. Apple Corps, the organization entrusted with protecting the Beatles' legacy, stubbornly stuck with issuing material on vinyl until discs started rolling out on Feb. 26, 1987. When the full catalogue was finally available, the decline of the LP was a done deal.

But those original Beatles CDs really weren't anything special. They sounded fine — the analogue-to-digital transfer technology they used was the best of its day — but by later standards, they sound harsh. The packaging and the liner notes were basic and dull, devoid of any history or context. Bonus tracks or alternate mixes? Sorry, just the standard 30 to 36 minutes per disc. And outside of a 40th anniversary edition of Sgt. Pepper in 2007 that featured tarted up packaging, we've had to make do with these — let's face it — embarrassing digital reissues for 22 years.

This, however, will all change on Wednesday (09-09-09: "Number 9...Number 9...Number 9 — get it?) when all the original U.K. albums along with Magical Mystery Tour and Past Masters — not to mention the Beatles edition Rock Band — hits stores.

A dedicated team at Abbey Road spent months using digital filters and other electronic tricks to clean up and tweak the original master tapes. The refurbished versions sparkle with a clarity unheard in Beatles recordings until now. You hear things — snare buzzes, fingers moving on strings, growls in the voice — that had been submerged in the murk. Obsessive types will search for things like the point in Hey Jude where John drops an F-bomb, the squeaking piano stool in A Day in the Life and the mythical Morse code in Strawberry Fields Forever.

The super hardcore fan will go for the box set which features the mono mixes (The Beatles came late to stereo, too, with the first ten albums recorded that way), which are considered by many of the faithful to be the proper and definitive versions of the songs. But the stereo mixes are also brilliant, showing off George Martin's skill as a producer.

Add in the upgraded packaging — the box sets are gorgeous — and the Beatles canon finally gets the digital respect it deserves.

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Death Cab for Amy

Dark thoughts inspire Stars singer on latest solo album

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

With a successful band and a budding solo career, Amy Millan's brain is, naturally, filled with musical thoughts. But she's also got something else on the mind. "I think about death every day," she says on the phone from Montreal. "I remind myself I will die so I live as hard and as well as I can every day."

For fans of Millan's solo records — she also sings in Stars — this revelation isn't a surprise. Just look at the titles of her two records; her 2006 debut was named Honey from the Tombs; her new record is called Masters of the Burial.

The new song titles also deal with death. There's Bruised Ghosts, Bury This, Finish Line and she covers Death Cab for Cutie's haunting love song I Will Follow You Into The Dark.

It's not that the singer has a morbid curiosity with the afterlife — Millan has experienced loss. However, she doesn't say what tragedies have befallen her. "It's private," she says. "But there has been sorrow."

While the themes may deal with less than uplifting topics, the music isn't nearly as depressing. Like her last record, Masters is generally soft and delicate with a subtle country twang. With songs such as the warm Lullaby-like Low Sail, and the lush, harmony-filled Americana number Bound, this infectious record is a vast improvement over Honey from the Tombs.

But while many artists try to better themselves with each record, Millan's goal isn't to build on her previous efforts.

"It's like talking about children," she says. "Which one do you like better? You love them both equally. I wouldn't have been able to make a second record if I hadn't made the first."

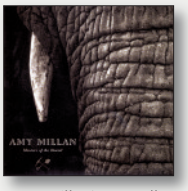
She'll leave the discussion on whether or not Masters is superior to Honey up to the critics.

"I don't live in a world of judgment," she says. "I leave that to the people of the blogosphere and the comments page. The world I live in is just trying to create beauty."

NORMAN WONG PHOTO

Masters of the Burial, the second solo album from Stars singer Amy Millan, includes a cover of Death Cab for Cutie's haunting love song I Will Follow You Into The Dark. Millan will play The Biltmore Cabaret on Oct. 24.

New Music



• Amy Millan's new album Masters of the Burial will be released on Tuesday.

As Millan releases more and more of her own music, it's hard not to wonder if she's setting herself up to leave her more famous day jobs, as a the female vocalist in the Stars and Broken Social Scene. She says that's not the case, but admits a lengthy solo career is a logical step.

"It's obvious that I can keep going with myself, but I would love to be in Stars for the rest of my days," she says. "And who wouldn't want to be in BSS? But all those other projects are so collaborative; I'm not really responsible for the music writing. I write all the melodies for my own record. That gives me the chance to articulate something, and I can manipulate the whole situation.

"From the moment I start writing," she adds, "I go through the entire process myself."

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Banks scheduled for court

Tyra Banks is being taken to small claims court by Richard Thomas, a former assistant who claims Banks owes him $5,820 in back wages, according to court papers obtained by TMZ. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Laura Leighton reprises her role as Sydney on Melrose Place.

New paint, same soap opera drama

New Melrose borrows some old characters

AMBER RAY
Metro World News

In 2009, Sydney Andrews appears to be alive and well — never mind the fact that she got run over by a car on her wedding day on Melrose Place 12 years ago.

These days, the blackmail expert is once again living at 4616 Melrose, now serving as landlady — and trouble-making instigator — to a new group of 20-somethings looking to make it big in Los Angeles.

Melrose Place premieres Wednesday at 10 p.m. ET/PT on Global

Laura Leighton reprises her role as Sydney in the CW's update of the prime-time soap opera, premiering Wednesday at 10 p.m., and it didn't take much arm-twisting to get her back.

"I found they had an approach to the show that incorporated my character in a very unique way," Leighton explains. "Playing Sydney the first time was such fun, and there was no downside to coming back to play her again."

Not even the tragedy that strikes her character very early on in the new Melrose?

"I think Sydney's always been sort of doomed to be the center of controversy, and she's very much in that position," Leighton admits, before adding optimistically, "You know, I think also that she's always been destined to live in a penthouse. So here she is."

FRIDAY

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9/4/09	251	308	3 CBC	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Ron James-Road Between		Wild Roses "First and Last"		CBC News: The National (N)		The Hour
	250	321	9 CTV	etalk (CC)	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Medium (CC)		Defying Gravity "Fear" (N)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	Mental "Pilot" (CC)		Mental (CC)		NUMB3RS "Disturbed"		News
	256	389	12 VI	The Road to Avonlea		Supernanny "Del Re Family"		Supernanny (CC)		Stargate Atlantis "Allies"		A News (N)
primetime	253	359	13 CITY	Law & Order: SVU		Mantracker "Dustin and Ian"		Ugly Betty "Curveball"		Out There	Out There	The CityNews
	-	-	14 CW	Deal-No Deal	Deal-No Deal	Smallville "Injustice" (CC)		Hates Chris	The Game	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Medium (CC)		NUMB3RS "Disturbed"		KIRO News
	287	379	16 NBC	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	Southland "Westside" (CC)		Dateline NBC (CC)				KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Supernanny "Del Re Family"		Ugly Betty "Curveball"		20/20 (CC)		News
	290	382	23 FOX	Two Men	Two Men	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		Glee "Pilot" (iTV) (CC)		News	Most Wanted	Family Guy
news	502	390	26 NW	CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National		CBC News: the fifth estate		National
	500	500	30 CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)		Cooper 360
sports	407	419	22 RSP	Sportsnet	MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Oakland Athletics. (Subject to Blackout)					Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	SportsCentre	CFL Football Montreal Alouettes at BC Lions. From BC Place Stadium in Vancouver. (Live)						SportsCentre	SportsCentre
family	552	543	23 YTV	Material Girls ★ (2006) Hilary Duff, Haylie Duff. (CC)				That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Family Biz	Adrenaline	Mystery Hnt.
	555	545	50 TEL	Batman	Spider-Man	Wolverine	Justice	Futurama	South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut ★★★ (1999) (CC)			
	268	354	5 KNO	Liberation of Holland (CC)		Poirot (CC)		New Tricks "Final Curtain"		Comic Book Confidential ★★★ (1988)		
	575	583	20 CMT	Take Me Home: The John Denver Story ★★ (2000) Chad Lowe.					Camera	Take Me Home: The John Denver Story		
	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds "P911"		Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal
	521	560	32 TLC	Making Over America		Dress	Dress	Making Over America		What Not to Wear "Kathy"		Reception
	616	522	33 SHO	The Outer Limits "Revival"		Howie Do It "Pilot" (CC)		Kenny	Kenny	Trailer Park	Trailer Park	Rent
cable variety	294	650	47 TBS	(6:00) Failure to Launch (CC)		Sex and-City	Sex and-City	(:10) Private Valentine: Blonde & Dangerous (2008) (CC)				Bloopers 4
	603	561	59 FN	Diners	Diners	Ramsay's Kitchen		Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Diners
	-	-	55 AMC	(5:00) Aliens ★★★★ (1986)		Bride of Chucky ★ (1998, Horror) Jennifer Tilly. (CC)				The Beast Must Die ★★ (1974) (CC)		
	320	621	60 CEN	(6:15) Eastern Promises (CC)		Body of Lies ★★ (2008) Leonardo DiCaprio. Premiere.				(:15) American Gangster ★★★ (2007) (CC)		
	581	566	181 MTV	Jennifers	The X Effect	Made "Wakeboarder" (CC)		Beatdown	Pranked	Jennifers	The X Effect	Made (CC)

SATURDAY

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
9/5/09	251	308	3 CBC	The Nature of Things (CC)		CBC News: the fifth estate		Da Vinci's City Hall		News	World Trade Center ★★★	
	250	321	9 CTV	W-FIVE-Childhood		Terry (2005) Shawn Ashmore, Ryan McDonald. (CC)				Law & Order: SVU		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	Doc (CC)		Mental "Book of Judges"		Doc (CC)		Doc (CC)		News Final
	256	389	12 VI	New Canoe	Island Week	The Road to Avonlea		Kool Countdown (CC)		Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	Bravo! Fact
primetime	253	359	13 CITY	Murdoch Mysteries		Model Search (CC)		Wall of Secrets (2003, Suspense) Nicole Eggert. (CC) (DVS)				Amazing
	-	-	14 CW	CSI: NY "Risk" (CC)		Boston Legal "The Verdict"		Boston Legal (CC)		CSI: NY "Stuck on You"		CSI: Miami
	289	381	15 CBS	Paid Program	Paid Program	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		48 Hours Mystery (CC)		48 Hours Mystery (CC)		News
	287	379	16 NBC	Backroads	Inside Edition	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order "All New"		Law & Order: SVU		KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	College Football Alabama vs. Virginia Tech.			Fortune	Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events ★★★				News
	290	382	23 FOX	Two Men	Two Men	Cops (CC)	Cops (CC)	Cops (CC)	Cops (CC)	News	Most Wanted	MADtv (CC)
news	502	390	26 NW	The Life of JK Rowling		National	Our World	National	Mansbridge	The Life of JK Rowling		National
	500	500	30 CNN	Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Newsroom
sports	407	419	22 RSP	MLS Soccer Toronto FC at Colorado Rapids. (Live)				UFC: Sanchez vs. Stevenson		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Poker
	400	400	30 TSN	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)			Boxing Rumble at Rama IX. (Taped) (CC)			WEC WrekCage (CC)		SportsCentre
family	552	543	23 YTV	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Adrenaline	In Real Life (CC)		Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Mystery Hnt.
	555	545	50 TEL	Star Wars: The Clone Wars ★★ (2008) Premiere.				Futurama	Chicken	Clone High	Rick & Steve	Moral Orel
	268	354	5 KNO	National Geographic		Heartbeat "The Big Chill"		Midsomer Murders "Dance With the Dead" (CC)				Jazz
	575	583	20 CMT	Broken Bridges ★ (2006) Toby Keith, Kelly Preston.				Babe ★★★★ (1995) James Cromwell, Magda Szubanski.				Broken
	615	520	31 A&E	CSI: Miami "10-7" (CC)		The Sopranos "D-Girl"		CSI: Miami "Vengeance"		CSI: Miami "Whacked"		CSI: Miami
	521	560	32 TLC	Moving Up (N) (CC)		Jon & Kate Plus 8 (CC)		Ultimate Cake Off "Pirates"		Moving Up (CC)		Truth Be Told
cable variety	616	522	33 SHO	The Guard "Waheguru"		Every Second Counts (2008) Stephen Collins. Premiere.				13 Going on 30 ★★★ (2004) (CC)		
	294	650	47 TBS	Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby ★★ (2006)				Bill Engvall	Bill Engvall	A Very Brady Sequel ★★ (1996, Comedy)		
	603	561	59 FN	Restaurant Makeover (CC)		Hell's Kitchen (CC)		Challenge "Mac & Cheese"		Chopped "Prickly Situation"		Restaurant
	-	-	55 AMC	End of Days	(:45) Commando ★★ (1985) Arnold Schwarzenegger. (CC)			(:45) End of Days ★ (1999) Arnold Schwarzenegger.				
	320	621	60 CEN	(5:50) In the Valley of Elah		Changeling ★★★ (2008) Angelina Jolie, John Malkovich. Premiere.					Wanted ★★★ (2008) (CC)	
	581	566	181 MTV	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	MTV Live	MTV News	After

SUNDAY

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
9/6/09	251	308	3 CBC	Heartland (CC) (DVS)		Guns (2009) (Part 1 of 2) Elisha Cuthbert. Premiere. (CC)				CBC News: The National (N)		News
	250	321	9 CTV	Gary Unmarr	Gary Unmarr	The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift ★★ (2006) (CC)				(9:59) Cold Case (CC)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	16:9 Picture	Spider-Man 2 ★★★ (2004, Action) Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst.					(:01) Big Brother 11 (N)		News Final
	256	389	12 VI	Funniest Home Videos		Samantha	Friday Night Lights ★★★ (2004) Billy Bob Thornton, Derek Luke. (CC)					New Canoe
primetime	253	359	13 CITY	TO Show	GoldenEye ★★★ (1995) Pierce Brosnan. A weapon's theft sends Agent 007 to Russia.						Less-Kind	Amazing
	-	-	14 CW	(6:30) Reaper	Windtalkers ★★ (2002, War) Nicolas Cage, Adam Beach, Peter Stormare.					Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cold Case
	289	381	15 CBS	60 Minutes (CC)		(:01) Big Brother 11 (N)		Neighborhood		(9:59) Cold Case (CC)		News
	287	379	16 NBC	Dateline NBC (CC)			Friday Night Lights ★★★ (2004) Billy Bob Thornton, Derek Luke. (CC)					KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Shark Tank (N) (CC)		Defying Gravity "Fear" (N)		News
	290	382	23 FOX	'Til Death	Spider-Man 2 ★★★ (2004, Action) Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst.					News	Sports	House (CC)
news	502	390	26 NW	Who Killed the Electric Car				CBC News: The National		Who Killed the Electric Car		
	500	500	30 CNN	Newsroom		State of the Union		Larry King Live		State of the Union		Union
sports	407	419	22 RSP	MLB Baseball Teams TBA.		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		UFC: Sanchez vs. Stevenson		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	NASCAR Racing: Sprint Cup			SportsCentre	Women's Hockey 2009 Canada Cup Final. From Vancouver.				SportsCentre
family	552	543	23 YTV	How to Eat Fried Worms		Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	In Real Life "Pilots" (CC)		Adrenaline	Survive This	Mystery Hnt.
	555	545	50 TEL	Stoked (N)	Totally Spies	6TEEN	6TEEN	Futurama	Punch (CC)	Life's a Zoo	Life's a Zoo	Tripping-Rift
	268	354	5 KNO	National Geographic		Inspector Morse "Cherubim and Seraphim" (CC)				New Tricks "Final Curtain"		Jazz
	575	583	20 CMT	Coyote Ugly	Ult. Coyote Ugly Search		Ult. Coyote Ugly Search		Ult. Coyote Ugly Search		Ult. Coyote Ugly Search	
	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal Minds "Aftermath"		Criminal
	521	560	32 TLC	Half-Ton Dad (CC)		650-lb Virgin (CC)		Half-Ton Mom (CC)		Half-Ton Dad (CC)		Teen
	616	522	33 SHO	ReGenesis "Baby Bomb"		Abducted: Fugitive for Love (2007) Sarah Wynter. (CC)				Rescue Me "Jump" (N)		Rescue Me
cable variety	294	650	47 TBS	(:10) Runaway Bride ★★ (1999) Julia Roberts, Richard Gere. (CC)						(:40) The Brady Bunch Movie ★★★ (1995) Shelley Long.		
	603	561	59 FN	Dinner: Impossible (CC)		Restaurant Makeover (CC)		Get on Plate	Food	Iron Chef America (CC)		Dinner
	-	-	55 AMC	Mad Men (N) (CC)		(:02) Mad Men (CC)		(:03) Breaking Bad "Down"		Mad Men (CC)		(:02) Hook
	320	621	60 CEN	Madagas	The Dark Knight ★★★★ (2008) Christian Bale, Heath Ledger. (CC)					(:05) The Kingdom ★★ (2007) Jamie Foxx.		
	581	566	181 MTV	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	After	MTV News	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	MTV Live

Judges change rules on talent series

TV SERIES The judges on America's Got Talent are breaking the rules.

Instead of choosing between two acts for one coveted spot in the show's final round, Piers Morgan, Sharon Osbourne and David Hasselhoff changed things up Wednesday and invited both acts to return to the NBC talent show.

"Judges can do whatever they want on this show," host Nick Cannon said. "Anything goes."

A trio of tenors, three singing siblings, five dancing sisters, a 75-year-old comedian and a singing chicken farmer will advance to the finals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Stones snap rumour

The Rolling Stones are moving quickly to quash a rumor that Charlie Watts has quit the band after several decades. "Charlie Watts has not left The Rolling Stones," the group said in a statement. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Going Out

GETTY IMAGES

Identical-twin fashion designers Dean and Dan Caten were bred for success — they're joining Canada's Walk of Fame.

Double the fun

With a fashion empire spanning the globe, kudos from stars including Madonna, and this weekend's induction into Canada's Walk of Fame, it would seem identical-twin fashion designers Dean and Dan Caten were bred for success.

And they were, but mostly through their own volition, they say. They battled marginalization while growing up with seven siblings in a low-income home in the Toronto suburb of Willowdale.

"We had no money," said Dan Caten. "We were poor and my dad was a ... welder and we were nine kids and we had no mother."

But the twins were determined and in 1991, they set up shop in Milan, Italy, where their father was born. They went on to create clothing lines for men and women; stitch threads for celebrities including Madonna, Britney Spears and Ricky Martin; open stores around the world; and produce fragrances and an eyewear line.

They also plan to sketch outfits for the talent in the opening and closing ceremonies of the Vancouver 2010 Olympics. "We've been waving our flag," said Dean Caten.

Legendary songstress Anne Murray, will host Saturday's gala at Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts. The ceremony will be broadcast Sunday on Global and Slice.

"It's the hugest award that we've received so far," said Dean Caten.

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Mix of Six

Wanda Sykes

When: Friday
Where: River Rock Show Theatre

Sykes was called one of the "25 funniest people in America" by Entertainment Weekly. Tix: $49.50-$59.50. Info: riverrock.com.

Hockey Canada Cup (women)

When: Saturday and Sunday
Where: GM Place

The world's best female hockey players are in Vancouver in this pre-Olympics tune up tournament at The Garage. Tix: $12-$35. Info: hockeycanada.ca.

Laser Shows

When: Friday and Saturday evening
Where: H.R. MacMillan Space Centre

Watch your favourite bands with dazzling visual effects in the Planetarium Star Theatre. Laser Coldplay, Laser Radiohead and Laser Pink Floyd. Tix: $10.75. Info: hrmacmillanspacecentre.com.

Franz Ferdinand

When: Sunday
Where: Malkin Bowl (Stanley Park)

Scottish pop-rock group play the best from their latest album. Tix: $39.50. Info: malkinbowl.com.

Midsummer (a play with songs)

When: Opening weekend
Where: The Cultch, 1895 Venables St.

The story of Bob and Helena and a great lost weekend of bridge burning, car chases, wedding bust ups, bondage miscalculations, midnight trysts and horrible hung over, self-loathing misery. Info: thecultch.com.

Bard on the Beach

When: Until Sept. 26
Where: Vanier Park

The 2009 Shakespeare Festival features performances of The Comedy of Errors, Othello, All's Well That Ends Well and Richard II. Tix: $18 to $34. Info: bardonthebeach.org.

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 The Beatles

ICONS Come Wednesday, you can be Fab too while your plastic guitar gently beeps, thanks to the hotly anticipated game The Beatles Rock Band. No need to get cocky though. Because just to remind you how spectacular the original Fab Four actually were, EMI is releasing a remastered edition of the entire Beatles catalogue. Consider your mind blown.

2 I'm Yours: Jason Mraz

SONG Now we know: The "yours" in the 32-year-old's infinitely hummable song is the Billboard Hot 100. The Virginia-born singer-songwriter's tune, which debuted on pop radio in May 2008, has lasted for 71 weeks on the chart — the longest ever for a single. The record was previously held by Leann Rimes, whose rendition of How Do I Love made the charts for 69 weeks in the late '90s.

3 Melrose Place

TV Sydney Andrews is dead again. The reboot of the '90s show kicks off with the good news that Laura Leighton's iconic character, who died on her wedding day in the original series, is alive and well, only to be found floating in the pool moments later. Spoiler? The CW seems to be flaunting the storyline that will also see plenty of newcomers to the famed address. Premieres Wednesday on Global.

4 Madmenfootnotes.com

WEBSITE If you ever wondered about the real stories behind the advertisements and incidents referred to in the AMC series, bookmark this site. There's some fascinating historical trivia here, everything from Bacardi campaigns in the midst of Cuban animosity to a Marlboro ad about a baby encouraging his/her mom to smoke. And yes, Paul Kinsey's Princeton Tigertones were an actual band.

5 Run This Town

VIDEO It's a pop riot led by heavyweights Rihanna, Jay-Z and Kanye West — definitely one of the catchiest tunes released this year. But, for all the sugary vocals and hip-hop swagger, the video features some heavy Black Panther-esque imagery and a violent undercurrent. If you see Chris Brown in there somewhere, please let us know.

6 Disney-Marvel

BIZ The Mouse proved mightier this week as Disney took over the house of superheroes for $4 billion. Meanwhile, nerds of the universe descended upon the blogosphere to conjure all kinds of interesting hybrids. Samplers: Goofy + Wolverine = Gooferine; Pinocchio + Thor = Thorocchio.

7 The Last Song: Nicholas Sparks

BOOK Bring out the tissues. The reigning king of literary weepies (cry-fi, if you will) once again aims for the lachrymals — this time with a story of a musically inclined dad and his estranged daughter. Apparently, a film version is already in works with Miley Cyrus playing the daughter's role. For most film fans out there, that's reason enough to cry.

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Baby No. 1 for Lisa

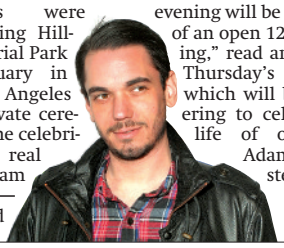
Singer Lisa Loeb and her husband Roey Hershkovitz are going to be parents, her rep confirms to People. "They're excited to welcome their first child this winter," said manager Janet Billig Rich. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Funeral, memorial for DJ AM

IN MOURNING DJ AM was laid to rest Wednesday in a small funeral attended by family members and close friend Travis Barker, people.com reports.

Mourners were seen entering Hillside Memorial Park and Mortuary in West Los Angeles for the private ceremony for the celebrity DJ — real name Adam Goldstein — who died last week in New York.



A memorial for Goldstein was also held last night at the Hollywood Palladium in Los Angeles.

"The format of the evening will be in the style of an open 12-step meeting," read an invite for Thursday's memorial, which will be "a gathering to celebrate the life of our friend Adam Goldstein."

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Chris might break restraining order?

THE RULES Chris Brown intends to honour a court order to stay away from Rihanna for five years, but he's afraid he might accidentally violate it because they're in the same industry. "We have to be, like, 10 yards away from each other, but I just feel like it's harder, because we're always in the same vicinity, and it leaves more room for error," he told Larry King.

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METRO WORLD NEWS

Tony's new fling: Chace's baby sis?

THAT WAS FAST Tony Romo has another hot new blonde, usmagazine.com reports.

The Dallas Cowboys quarterback, 29, is dating Chace Crawford's little sister, Candice, a 22-year-old beauty queen who looks strikingly similar to Romo's ex Jessica Simpson, a source close to Romo confirms.

A source close to Crawford confirmed they were a pair. "They've gone out to dinner in Dallas a bunch."

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Dean gets even with LeAnn?

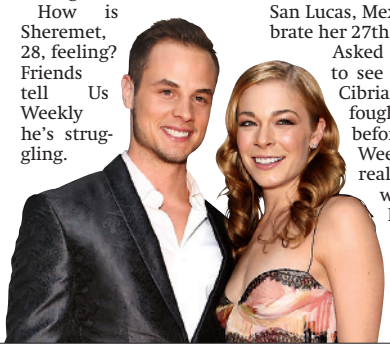
EYE FOR AN EYE? As LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian went public with their relationship in August, her ex Dean Sheremet quietly reached out to Cibrian's ex Brandi Glanville, Us Weekly reports in its latest issue.

"They have been supporting each other," an insider said of the pair, who first met last fall while visiting their spouses on the Calgary set of the Lifetime romance Northern Light.

At the time, they didn't know an affair had begun. Now, the source tells Us Weekly, "They've put the pieces together about the last few months, and they're developing a good friendship through this."

Adds a Sheremet pal, "They're the ones who understand what the other is feeling."

How is Sheremet, 28, feeling? Friends tell Us Weekly he's struggling.



On Tuesday, Rimes announced on her website that she and Sheremet are divorcing — days after taking a PDA-packed vacation with Cibrian, 36, to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, to celebrate her 27th birthday.

Asked how it feels to see his ex with Cibrian, Sheremet fought back tears before telling Us Weekly: "I don't really know what to say. It's bizarre. It's surreal. But I'm doing OK."

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Kate moved into A-Rod's home?

MOVING QUICKLY Kate Hudson's relationship with New York Yankee Alex Rodriguez is going so well, she's apparently practically moved in with him, according to In Touch.

"Kate's always at his New York apartment, even on the days when he's on the road," a source said. "She's made herself quite comfortable in his life. She's met his oldest daughter and her son likes Alex. Kate has become very serious about him."

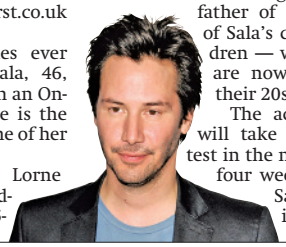
METRO WORLD NEWS

Keanu will give DNA in lawsuit

ALLEGATIONS Keanu Reeves is taking a DNA test to prove he's not the father of a Barrie, Ont., woman's children, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actor denies ever meeting Karen Sala, 46, who has claimed in an Ontario court that he is the father of at least one of her four kids.

Reeves' lawyer Lorne Wolfson has advised the 45-year-old star to take a paternity test to "clear his name" and prove he is not the biological father of any of Sala's children — who are now in their 20s.



The actor will take the test in the next four weeks. Sala is asking for $150,000 per month in child support — retroactive to June 1988 — and $3 million a month in spousal support, retroactive to November 2006.

Sala said: "This is not about revenge or an attack on his good character. It's about closure and getting some peace. This is a personal journey."

Sala is due back in court on Oct. 16.

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Celebrity tweets

Pink can't seem to get the paparazzi to agree with her, Moby appreciates some natural beauty, Dane Cook tries out some new material, and Kim Kardashian has some surprising friends.

- @Pink Paparazzi just "informed" me that they're not cockroaches. They multiply, are an annoyance and u can't kill them. Well???
- @thelittleidiot Driving over the williamsburg bridge during an almost obscenely perfect setting sun. Sky the color of tangerine sherbet.
- @danecook Just got my hair cut. When finished she asked me, "Do u want any product in your hair?" I said sure-how about dairy? #RimShot
- @KimKardashian Up early, heading to San Diego to have breakfast w my grandma MJ then spend the day with Deepak Chopra

METRO WORLD NEWS

Happy 10th anniversary, Beckhams!

SO IN LOVE David Beckham didn't get his wife, Victoria Beckham, any ordinary anniversary gift to celebrate 10 years of marriage: He got a tattoo, people.com reports.

"Yeah, I (got) 10 roses around my arms," the 34-year-old soccer star told Ellen DeGeneres.

DeGeneres then wondered aloud if Beckham ever thinks about "getting a tattoo of me anywhere on your body." He replied: "I'm very tempted."

As for how he and Victoria, 35, keep their marriage fresh after 10 years and three kids, he said, "We always try to do special things. It's not always about buying gifts for each other. We just make sure that we spend time together or go for dinner together and do special things."

One of the things they did together was pose in some sexy Emporio Armani underwear ads. "We never get a chance to work together and when we do, it's amazing," he said. "It was great to work with her on the day."

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Mischa gets a sober coach

A LITTLE HELP Mischa Barton has a "sober coach," femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Producers for the actress' new TV show The Beautiful Life have hired someone to stay with her at all times following her involuntary hospitalization in July.

A source said: "Mischa is doing great since she returned to work, but after a chat with show bosses she agreed she would appreciate some extra support."

The appointment of a sober coach comes after friends of the 23-year-old worried she was jeopardizing her recovery. Barton was seen partying in New York just days after she left hospital.

Friend Eric Ziegenbein said: "I was shocked. I thought she would chill out for a bit."

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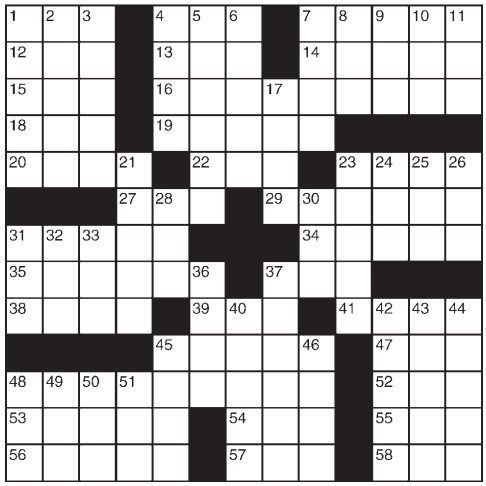

ACROSS

1 Bake sale org.
4 List-ending abbr.
7 Animal
12 Sleep phenom
13 Bill's partner
14 White-collared thrush (Var.)
15 Sphere
16 Quasimodo, notably
18 Tramcar contents
19 Sequence
20 MacDonald's place
22 Ages and ages
23 Hardy cabbage
27 Help
29 Penn pal
31 Be a goldbrick
34 Material for blue shoes
35 Addicted
37 Likely
38 Longings
39 Sinbad's bird
41 Fly fast
45 Spanish appetizers
47 Weep
48 Car style
52 Bill
53 Open-mouthed
54 Golfer's concern
55 Greek vowel
56 Sir's counterpart
57 Horror film with four sequels
58 Sen. Kennedy

DOWN

1 Evidence
2 Earth
3 Cautionary colour
4 Reverberate
5 Went sightseeing
6 Individually owned apartment
7 Physicist Niels
8 Abrade
9 — Today
10 Sleuth
11 Antlered animal
17 Minimal change
21 Report card data
23 Hardly dexterous one
24 Brewery product
25 Started
26 Before
28 Mamie's man
30 Kreskin's claim
31 Bashful
32 Weeding tool
33 Charged bit
36 Colourless
37 Source of gum arabic
40 October birthstones
42 Square dance group
43 Preach, maybe
44 "Oops"
45 Not us
46 Distort
48 Overactive one?
49 Khan title
50 Slight amount
51 Bkpr.

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

	7	9				8		
			5	2				1
2					4			3
		6	8		1		4	
	4			3			1	
	3		2		9	5		
4			1					8
6				9	2			
		7				4	6	

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

8	9	2	1	3	4	7	6	5
5	1	3	6	7	9	8	4	2
6	4	7	8	5	2	1	9	3
7	8	5	4	1	6	3	2	9
1	2	6	5	9	3	4	7	8
4	3	9	7	2	8	6	5	1
9	7	8	2	6	1	5	3	4
2	6	1	3	4	5	9	8	7
3	5	4	9	8	7	2	1	6

On the web

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Metro Recipe of the Day

Orange Chocolate Mousse

INGREDIENTS:

2 eggs, beaten
2 egg yolks, beaten
1 cup (250 ml) heavy whipping cream
1/4 cup (50 ml) packed brown sugar
3 tbsp (45 ml) orange juice
1 to 1 1/2 tsp (5 to 7 ml) grated orange peel
6 squares (1 oz/28 g each) semisweet chocolate, melted and cooled
Optional: Whipped cream and orange peel strips

METHOD:

1. In pot, combine eggs, egg yolks, cream, brown sugar, juice and peel until blended. Cook and stir over medium-low heat 15 minutes or until mixture is thickened and reached 160 F (71 C).
2. Remove from heat; stir in melted chocolate until smooth. Pour into dessert dishes. Refrigerate 2 hours or until serving.
3. Garnish with whipped cream and orange peel if desired.

SERVES 4

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For nutritional information on this and other great recipes, go to **rd.ca** or check out **Key Ingredients in this month's Reader's Digest, on newsstands now!**

Horoscopes by Sally Brompton sallybrompton.com

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
A full moon in your next-door-neighbour sign of Pisces means you have allowed your fears to get out of hand.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
You may deserve an apology from someone who did you wrong but you won't get it, so put it behind you and focus on more important things.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
A full moon warns not to take risks with your reputation. No matter how desperate you may be to move up in the world you must play by the rules.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
You can't sit still for a minute, never mind an hour or a day. You will be on the go from dawn to dusk today, which means you will need an extra-long rest.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
Times may be tough financially but the answer is in your own hands and today's full moon will give you a few ideas.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
A full moon in your opposite sign of Pisces means that some less than positive things will be said by the end of the day.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
It may be hard to decide what works and what doesn't but one thing you know for sure is that you've done as much as you can for the time being.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
Others can fret and fuss over petty things if they so wish but you have more important issues to take care of.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
You can't run away from your responsibilities. You know that, so why are you still fantasizing that you can? The full moon will bring a family issue.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
If knowledge is power then you would be wise to keep what you know to yourself today. If you go blabbing about it, soon everyone will know.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
The full moon warns that no matter how trustworthy your instincts may be most of the time, they may well let you down today.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Everyone wants something from you. Everyone wants you to give, while offering precious little in return.

This day in history

SEPT. 4, 476: Romulus Augustus, last emperor of the Western Roman Empire, is deposed when Odoacer proclaims himself King of Italy.
SEPT. 4, 1870: Emperor Napoleon III of France is deposed and the Third Republic is declared.
SEPT. 4, 1886: Indian Wars: after almost 30 years of fighting, Apache leader Geronimo surrenders with his remaining warriors to General Nelson Miles in Arizona.
SEPT. 4, 1888: George Eastman registers the trademark Kodak and receives a patent for his camera that uses roll film.

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WORDY GURDY®

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

1. Give help to a hotel bedmaker (1)
2. Nuisance's three-piece suit parts (1)
3. By way of thee (1)
4. More shyly flirtatious attorney (2)
5. Batman Bruce's Amtrak arrivals (1)
6. Saggy "Peanuts" dog (2)
7. One who gulls an NFL pass catcher (3)

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

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ANSWERS
1. AID MAID 2. PESTS VESTS 3. THROUGH YOU 4. COVER LAWYER
5. WAYNES TRAINS 6. DROOPY SNOOPY 7. RECEIVER DECEIVER

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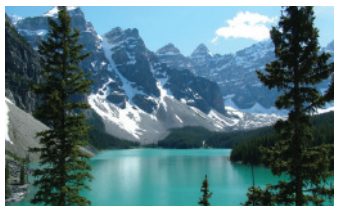

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